

# TOWN OF WINCHENDON

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## Minutes

### Regular Meeting

**Wednesday November 8, 2017**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**

**Members Present:** Corey Bohan, Jay McCronon, David Plummer, Yvonne Harrington

**Members Absent:** Mary Harrington, Peg Corbosiero, Lois Abare

**Others Present:** Jenelle Sroczynski Recording Secretary

**Meeting called to order:** 6:10 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance immediately followed.

**Reorganization of Commission:** *Motion to open nominations Harrington/Plummer 4-0*  
*Approved @ 6:11pm.*

Mr. Bohan opened the floor to nominations. Ms. Harrington nominated Mr. Bohan for Chairman. Mr. Plummer seconded nomination. Mr. Bohan accepted. Mr. McCronon nominated Ms. Harrington as Vice Chairman. Mr. Plummer seconded nomination. All were in favor. *Motion to close nomination Plummer/Harrington 4-0 Approved @ 6:12 pm.*

### **Approval of Minutes:**

*Motion to approve the minutes of the 10-11-2017 Regular Meeting Harrington/Plummer 4-0*  
*Approved @ 6:18 pm.*

**Public Comment:** None were heard

**Member Comments:** Mr. Plummer is pleased the Commission adopted the solar policies. He is hoping this will encourage more young couples to purchase and restore homes. Mr. McCronon is concerned with the placement of the Old Center Historic district stop sign. He would also like a speed limit sign posted. Ms. Sroczynski to check with DPW Director on signs. Mr. McCronon also has extra trees he would like to plant on the green. Ms. Harrington is not a fan of filling up the common with trees. Ms. Harrington would rather see trees planted at the intersection of Teel and Hall Roads. Ms. Sroczynski to check with DPW Director. *Motion to replace and replant trees on the common and at proposed intersection Harrington/Plummer 4-0 Approved @ 6:31 pm.* Mr. McCronon would also like the electric

meter on the common removed as the flagpole is now lit by solar power. National Grid will need to be called to check on protocol for removing meter.

Mr. Plummer informed Commission there is a meeting with the Army Corps of Engineers on November 14, 2017 at Birch Hill Dam. Mr. Plummer and Mr. Bohan to attend. They will be conducting an assessment on Native American artifacts. Mr. Bohan expressed his delight with the Native American project moving forward so quickly. He stated the town government has been very supportive. Mr. Plummer will have a report of findings for the December meeting.

**Cumberland Farms Project Follow-Up:** Mr. Bohan and Ms. Harrington attended the ribbon cutting/grand opening of Cumberland Farms. It was a successful day. Mr. Bohan apologized for the late notice to the Commission regarding the ceremony, he had only found out the night before. Mr. Bohan also informed the Commission he has spoken with Mr. Stuart regarding the framing of the pictures. Mr. Stuart is working with corporate and pictures will be framed.

**Central Street Redesign Project:** The joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and the Planning Board on October 30, 2017 was very informative. Mr. Bohan and Ms. Harrington were in attendance. Tighe and Bond presented some initial plans for Central Street improvements if Winchendon receives the TIP funding in 2020. There will be granite curbing, bike lanes, handicap ramps, and revised parking. The town is hoping to be able to replace existing water and sewer lines during the construction period. The town is hoping this will be an Economic Development Incentive. There was some concern voiced about losing the "look of Central Street." The Commission realizes the millions of dollars this project needs to succeed and knows the town can't support it without help from the state. Therefore, Central Street will need to conform to state design standards. Mr. Bohan would like to offer a letter of support and would like input on the architecture of the project from the start, as this is the historic downtown district. *Motion to offer letter of support to Town Harrington/Plummer 4-0 approved @ 6:59 pm.*

**Historic Commission Policies:** Item will be tabled for this meeting.

**Other Business:** Signs and Meter will be reported on next meeting.

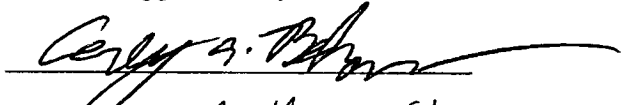
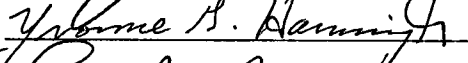
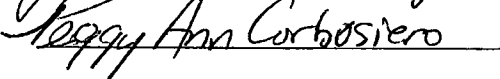
**Next Meeting:** December 13, 2017 at 6pm.

**Adjournment:** *Motion to adjourn: McCronon/Plummer 4-0 Approved 7:06pm.*

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:07 pm.**

Respectfully submitted by:  
Jenelle Sroczyński  
Board Secretary

Minutes Approved By:



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