

## **West Fairlee Planning Commission**

### **Approved Minutes – Monthly Meeting of October 13, 2014**

**Present:** Geoff Gardner, Al Pfeiffer and guests Cooley Kearns and members of the Bean Hall Committee, Bonnie Cray, Jim McDade and Doug Sonsalla.

There was no quorum at this meeting and no action was taken.

The meeting began at 6:35 PM.

**1. Bean Hall Committee:** The members of the Town's Bean Hall Committee presented a very thorough review of what they have done this past year to reassess the status of Bean Hall and to carry forward consideration of the possibility of revitalizing and reopening the building. In September of 2013, the Fire Marshal inspected the building for the first time since 2008 and made a report. This fall, Nate Pero also prepared a report on the status of some portions of the building. These reports were made available to the Planning Commission and have been shared with the Selectboard and the Conservation Commission. On 16 October, the Fire Marshal and structural engineer, Tim Schaal will return to the building to reassess its condition and discuss the possibility of beginning to put together a coordinated plan for its revitalization. The Committee looks forward to developing such a plan for at least the building's basement and first floor –but possibly the second floor as well-- so that it can move on to consulting with local contractors to make cost estimates for rehabilitation and repair. The Committee will keep the Planning Commission apprised of its work as time goes on.

**2. Town Plan Flood Hazard Element:** Members agreed that once Guy has made adjustments to the text in response to TRORC's suggestions, the draft should be sent on to the Selectboard as quickly as possible.

**3. Flood Hazard Ordinance Revision:** Brief review of section 1-7 of the draft.

**4. Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM