2014 Plan of Conservation and Development Subcommittee Regular Meeting Minutes April 21, 2014

The 2014 Plan of Conservation and Development Subcommittee of the Planning and Zoning Commission held a Regular Meeting on April 7, 2014 7:00PM at the Stonington Police Department meeting room - 173 S. Broad St. Pawcatuck.

Attending were members, Wendy Bury, Walter Grant, Sara Lathrop, Bill Lyman and Bob Mohr. Member Bob Birmingham was absent. Planning and Zoning Commission members, Curtis Lynch and Fran Hoffman and Town Planner, Keith A. Brynes were also in attendance.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lathrop at 7:00PM.

Minutes:

Ms. Bury motioned to approve the minutes of the 3/31/14 meeting; seconded by Mr. Grant. The motion was approved 4-0-1 with Mr. Lyman abstaining.

New Business:

Review of Plan of Conservation and Development 2nd draft.

The Subcommittee reviewed the 2nd draft of the POCD submitted by consultants, Planimetrics, LLC. Consensus was that the 2nd draft is an improvement and that the revisions satisfied their requests. The Subcommittee did not have any significant comments on the organization of the plan. Mr. Brynes stated that specific recommendations were not changed by Planimetrics. Mr. Lyman suggested that the Subcommittee review the recommendations chapter by chapter prior to distributing the plan.

Members reviewed recommendations through Chapter 6 and made several specific changes to be made by staff prior to distribution of the plan. Individual members will send any smaller proposed editorial changes to the text to staff.

Staff will rectify discrepancies between the Open Space Map and Current Land Use table on page 12 regarding the amount of committed open space in town.

The plan will potentially be ready for distribution to local boards and commission by May 16th with a goal of receiving comments by June 13th. The public information meeting could be held on Monday June 30th. The Subcommittee's next meeting will be on Monday May 5th to continue review of plan recommendations at Chapter 7. Letters can be sent to boards and commissions letting them know that a request to review the draft is coming soon. Staff will prepare a new revised implementation schedule broken down by commission after the Subcommittee reviews all recommendations.

Mr. Brynes discussed the Conservation Commission's invitation of Subcommittee members to their next meeting. Mr. Lyman recommended that rather than a member attempting to speak for the Subcommittee, the Subcommittee can send the Conservation Commission the draft POCD and get

their comments on it. Ms. Hoffman stated that the Planning and Zoning Commission could assist in asking for comments.

Ms. Bury motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Mohr. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 9:38PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith A. Brynes, Town Planner