

Jamaica Planning Commission Minutes  
March 6, 2017

JPC Present: Veda Basset, Cortland Wood, Chris Robbins, Greg Meulemans

Public Present: John Broker-Campbell; Regional Floodplain Manager, John Bennett; Windham Regional Commission, Louis Brusio, Joel Bluming, Pat Meulemans, David Mink, Peter Andres

Veda called the meeting to order at 7:00

The minutes from the Feb 20<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved on a motion by Cortland, seconded by Veda, unanimous approval

Lou reviewed the steps for Jamaica to adapt to the new Flood Hazard Regulations. Reviewed the State of Vermont model and the WRC model. John Broker-Campbell shared the state of VT Flood Hazard presentation. Lou presented first draft of Jamaica's plan based on the WRC model. Next steps: Planning Commission will review and make recommendations to the Select Board. Must be part of the revised town plan to address the flood resiliency section.

Group moved to a working meeting to review the Natural Resources section of the town plan.

- John Bennett will work on updating figures and names of conserved lands.
- Must address flood plains, pg28, invasive species pg 15, Ball Mt Dam sediment pg 26.
- Need more than to just include facts and figures but goals for each section and steps to achieve them.
- Need to find previous community survey results and identify which items are still relevant. Discussion of need to do additional survey – not much time.
- Integrate Charlie Peck's comments
- Label maps in appendix
- Locate current town Forest and Lands policy
- "How do we preserve, enhance and utilize our natural resources?"
- Identify how the figures are trending. How do we react to these and to guide our plans

Meeting adjourned at 8:50

Next JPC meeting: March 20, 2017

Submitted by Greg Meulemans