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**MINUTES OF THE MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2023
IN THE MACOMBER ROOM**

Members Present: Lorne Jones, Jane Lannon, Peter Schwab, Conni White, Pamela Yonkin

Members Absent: Rodney Rowland, Kathy Richards

Members noted that Kathy Richards has moved out of town and will no longer be able to participate in the Master Plan Committee activities.

Ms. Lannon made a motion to APPROVE as written the minutes to the meeting of the Master Plan Committee on November 20, 2023. Mr. Schwab seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jones made a motion to APPROVE as written the minutes to the Public Input Session for the Master Plan on November 30, 2023. Ms. White seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Chair Yonkin started the discussion on feedback from the Public Input Session and what should be corrected or added into the Master Plan. There were comments about additions to the energy section of the plan which Mr. Schwab agreed to pursue. He will also meet with Dick White, new Chair of the Water and Sewer Commission.

Ms. White informed the committee that some comments from the public are actually addressed in the Hazard Mitigation Plan which will be an addendum to the Master Plan.

Ms. White intends to look at her Natural Resources section and identify and emphasize the three areas along Route 1B that are especially vulnerable to flooding. She will beef up this section with thoughts of future grant opportunities in mind. In addition Ms. White will look at adding some wording regarding protection of wildlife and their habitats.

NEXT STEPS:

- Chair Yonkin will get the revised sections from Ms. White and Mr. Schwab by Dec. 25th.
- Chair Yonkin will send revised Master Plan to all Cte members, Board Chairs and Town Department heads asking for final input.
- At the January 24th meeting of the Planning Board, Chair Horgan will have the PB members vote to accept the draft MP and move it to a Public Hearing at their February 28th meeting.
- Yet to be determined is if graphics need to be in place before a final approval. PB Chair Horgan will research this question.

Respectfully submitted
Darcy Horgan,
Recording Secretary

