Chichester Planning Board
Minutes of Meeting
Thursday February 6, 2020

Members Present: Stan Brehm, Michael Williams, Tom Houle, Tom Jameson, Dan Humphrey, John Healy, Dr. Kevin Mara, DVM. and Kristy Barnouski Secretary.

Others present: Matt Monahan, Mike Tardiff, David Jobin, Donna Chagnon, Paul Ripplinger, Ashley Salvatore, Ron Salvatore and other members of the public.

Mr. Brehm called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Mr. Healy is a voting member for this meeting.

Mr. Williams made a motion and Mr. Houle seconded to approve the minutes of 1/23/2020. Motion Passes.

Public Hearing-Master Plan Update

Mr. Brehm opened the public hearing.

Matt Monahan and the Mike Tardiff of the Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) presented the completed proposed five chapters of the Master Plan. Mr. Tardiff explained that CNHRPC started working with the Planning Board last year to update the Master Plan. There was a survey completed and 192 responses were received back. This gave the community the opportunity to participate and comment.

Mr. Tardiff went over the chapters and gave a brief overview for each.

Chichester Today-
This chapter gives an overview of how Chichester exists today. It touches on demographics, recent trends, aging population, school enrollment trends and median income.

Land Use-
Mr. Tardiff explained that some chapters are statutorily required such as land use and Demographics. This chapter focuses on how future development should capitalize on opportunities to expand the local economy, promote traditional village scale development as appropriate along the Main Street corridor, support continued agricultural uses, and address changing demographic needs of key importance is the protection of Chichester’s rural character.

Transportation-
The transportation chapter touches on Route 4 access management, potential changes to King Road and the restriping of Route 4.

**Housing**
The housing data information is taken from the census to gather information such as housing stock and single vs. multifamily homes. This chapter looks at zoning and how it impacts Chichester’s housing. There is discussion in the chapter about the latest zoning revamping the cluster housing ordinance. It also addresses senior housing and people wanting to downsize.

**Economic Base**
This chapter focuses on Chichester’s future economic development activities that should promote an appropriate mix of residential, commercial and industrial development through the use of available tools and through the proactive work of local committees. The chapter also touches on data received from the recent survey done by the Planning Board as well as information gathered at the visioning session held in 2019 which includes employment data and wage comparisons and other important information.

Mrs. Salvatore had concerns about Main St. becoming a Town maintained Road versus a State maintained Road as discussed in the transportation chapter.

The Board discussed that it is something that has been discussed by the Board of Selectmen but is not something that would be anytime soon. The only reason the Town would take over Main Street would be to have more control. This would take a Town vote to change.

Mrs. Salvatore also had concerns about the nodes and the impact they would have on the Town.

Mr. Brehm explained that the Board took the recommendation of the Charrette to implement the nodes for a more community feel. The Board has already implemented the first node and would like to add two more, one by the library and the other at the Main St./Route 28 intersection.

Mr. Williams made a motion and Mr. Houle seconded to adopt the proposed five chapters of Master Plan as written including Chichester today, Land Use, Transportation, Economic Base, and Housing. **Motion passes.**

R1 Powersports-
Mr. Ripplinger came in at the Boards request after receiving a letter from the DVM to approve R1 Powersports to be a motorcycle dealer. Mr. Ripplinger stated that he was only selling OHRV’s but wanted to start selling motorcycles as well. He stated he will not be an inspection station.

The Board discussed their concern with space as he is situated in the plaza with limited parking. Mr. Ripplinger stated that he would only be utilizing 1-2 of the parking spaces to display motorcycles and other things he sells such as side by sides and OHRV’s. The Board directed Mr. Rigglinger to park anything he’s
selling in such a manner that they do not obstruct the vision on Route 28.

Mr. Williams made a motion and Dr. Mara seconded that R1 Powersports complies with zoning. **Motion passes.**

**Adjournment** - Having no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Houle to adjourn the meeting at 7:34pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Barnouski, Secretary

Not approved until signed.

Chairman, Stan Brehm