

## **Approved Strategic Planning Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 12, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. at the Silas Deane Middle School, Room 114.

Roll Call - Attendance quorum was attained.

Present was Acting Chairman Leigh Standish, Acting Secretary Jim Clynych, Linda Avery, Claudio Capone, Bill Donohue, and Ralph Karanian (7:20 pm).

A motion was made to accept [the March 29, 2005 meeting minutes](#). The motion was seconded by Bill Donohue.

There was a discussion on the minutes. The wording in the previous minutes stated a discussion was held regarding the upcoming council agenda circumventing the Zoning Board. Jim Clynych stated that the discussion was held before the meeting was called to order and it was just chatter before the fact. Bill Donohue stated that the minutes are not factual and that the discussion that was held on the subject of the Fire Chief and slush fund during the previous meeting was not stated in the minutes. Linda Avery stated that she came in late to the meeting and heard the discussion. A discussion was heard to amend the minutes to take out the aforementioned statement. The motion was approved on a 3-2 vote.

A motion to accept the corrected minutes was 3-1-1.

Correspondence received from Jim Clynych responding to the inaccurate minutes and an E-Mail concerning Rocky Hill Development.

Discussion on the blight issues in town and ordinance violations.

Bill Donohue and Claudio Copone raised concerns on the length and look of the document. Bill Donahue stated that although the document has to have substance it also has to have appeal. Linda Avery agreed and stated that she liked the So. Windsor format. Claudio Capone was commended by the members for his work on bringing the document together.

Chair Leigh Standish asked all committee members to scope the documents for ideas and adjustments for next meeting.

Linda Avery asked if social services was to provide information on their services. Chair Leigh Standish stated that the town's action on social services should be more as a clearing house.

There was a discussion about the future of the plan. Bill Donohue stated that the committee defines the goals and the boards define the strategies. Ralph Karanian wanted to know how often the committee will meet after the completion of the plan. It was suggested that twice a year would be sufficient. The document will be completed on May 10, presented to the Town Manager, and then to the Town Council on May 16. The Council will comment on June 6, and June 21 is the final completion date.

There was discussion on the dissemination of the final formatted document. Ralph Karanian stated that the presentation was to point the designated parties in the right direction. He also stated that the final presentation should be presented on Channel 14 Public Television.

Peter Gardow's executive summery was noted as a working project.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Next meeting: April 26, 2005 at the Silas Deane Middle School at 7 p.m.