

Medway Oak Grove Zoning Task Force
Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 7:00 pm
Town Administrator's Conference Room
Medway, Massachusetts

Members	Jessica Chabot	Andy Rodenhiser	Paul Yorkis	Matthew Hayes	Matt Buckley	Anthony Varrichione	Brian Cowan
Attendance	X	X	X	X	X		X

ALSO PRESENT:

Barbara J. Saint Andre, Director Community & Economic Development
Susy Affleck-Childs, Planning and Economic Development Coordinator
Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

The meeting of the Medway Oak Grove Zoning Task Force was called to order at 7:05 pm. by Chair Jessica Chabot.

MINUTES:

May 23, 2019:

On a motion made by Brian Cowan and seconded by Matt Hayes, the Committee voted unanimously to accept the minutes from May 23, 2019. (Member Yorkis abstained)

NEW BUSINESS:

Review of Oak Grove Public Forum:

The following comments were gathered from the public forum:

- Residents were not in favor of a gas station. The Committee discussed that a gas station with a convenience store would be a benefit to this area. It is by special permit. It was recommended to keep it in. ZBA Chairman Stumpf communicated that “Garretts” is a good example of a gas station.
- There was discussion about traffic in this area and the concerns about how to control it. Communities such as Northampton use cameras and technology to reduce speeding.
- All agreed that PEDB member Tom Gay did a great job summarizing the benefits of the proposed new zoning versus what could be built without it.
- ZBA Chairman Stumpf left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.
- The public wanted to make sure adequate buffers are in place for this project.

Ms. Saint Andre left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

OUTREACH AND MARKETING:

- Communicate with the other Boards and Committees. (List was provided by Paul Yorkis)
- Member Buckley left the meeting at 7:48 pm.
- Utilize local business people for assistance in supporting the Oak Grove Zoning (suggested reaching out to Julie Dennehy)
- Put together a Public Service Announcement.
- Conduct a series of interviews to share on Facebook, Town of Medway and social media. This could be a series of videos focusing on one aspect of the plan such as traffic.
- Create a document to show the long-term investment in the community in terms of taxes, job creation, personal property taxes, hotel taxes and other revenue sources.
- Create a list of talking points for each member to bring when speaking to the various Boards and Committees.
- Create a document seeking support from the various Boards and Committees to seek support and mobilize forces to attend the town meeting since 2/3 vote is needed.
- Seek letters of support from possible sports groups etc., place on website which organizations endorsed the plan.
- Attend the Senior Center, Council on Aging and Friends of the Elders meetings.
- Divide the members of the Oak Grove Task Force to attend the various Board/Committee meetings.
- Include a graphic about what this area could look like if not developed with the Oak Grove Zoning.
- Have a consultant provide work on a fiscal assessment.
- Be sure to address the buffering in each area.

NEXT MEETING:

- Monday, July 1, 2019

ADJOURN:

On a motion made by Andy Rodenhiser and seconded by Brian Cowan, the Oak Grove Task Force voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland