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THE SOUTHBOROUGH HOUSING OPPORTUNITY PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE
(SHOPC)

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, March 7, 2024 7:30 PM

ZOOM MEETING/REMOTE PARTICIPATION

Members present: Doriann Jasinski, Jesse Stein, John Wood, Paul Desmond and Doug Manz.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM.

NEW BUSINESS:

MBTA DISCUSSION: Mr. Stein updated the Board on the status of the MBTA warrant article. The Consultant made an error in his calculations for the town. We need a minimum zoning of 150 units within the half mile area surrounding the train station not 150 units within the 10 acre area as the Consultant originally stated.

That change would require changing the underlying Zoning within that district and/or an extension of that area. More streets/neighborhoods would have to be added to the area.

The Planning Board withdrew the warrant article from Town Meeting because of the major difference in information given to us. More time would be needed to access the corrected information. Possibly moving the article to a Fall Town Meeting.

The MBTA decision needs to be made by the Town no later than December 31, 2024.

ATWOOD PROPERTY DISCUSSION: Ms. Jasinski told the Board that Mr. Hamilton has taken control of this. The soil has been tested and has some type of contaminant. This is now in the hands of the DPW and Mr. Hamilton.

The DPW will be retesting the soil again and taking the necessary steps to correct the issue.

NORTHBORO ROAD 61a PROPERTY: Ms. Jasinski suggested that SHOPC host a Stakeholders meeting with Open Space, CPC, Conservation, Recreation and Planning Board to discuss how to best utilize the approximately 19 acres of land located on Northboro Road. Select Board member Stivers joined in and stated that the offer to the Town to purchase the land was NOT a Bonafide offer. He deferred to Town Council for advice with the process and next steps.

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ADJOURN: MOTION by Mr. Desmond to adjourn at 8:03 PM. **Seconded by** Mr. Stein. **ROLL CALL: Stein-Yes, Desmond-Yes, Wood-Yes, Manz-Yes, Jasinski-Yes. VOTE: 5-0-0**

Respectfully Submitted,

Doriann Jasinski
SHOPC Chair