

The Town of Cambridge Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting, Thursday, August 2, 2012, 7:30 PM at the Town Hall.

Members present: Charlotte Banzhaf, Judy Leon, Jerry Moppert, Dan Thomas, Stuart Ziehm, Eric Pearson, Secretary Sally Eddy

Absent: Earl Horton

No one from the public was in attendance.

Chairman Pearson called the meeting to order and presided.

Minutes

Charlotte Banzhaf motioned, seconded by Judy Leon, to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2012 meeting as mailed by the Secretary with no additions or corrections.

Vote: 6 – Ayes 0 – Noes

Communications

Chairman Pearson state he received a letter from the Cambridge United Presbyterian Church offering its buildings as a place for community groups and organizations to meet if meeting space is needed.

There were no reports on the two recent training sessions for planning officials held on July 11 and July 12 since no one attended.

Unfinished Business

Jerry Moppert presented more data to the board in order to give members an insight as to how the town is growing and changing and to become aware of developing trends, if any. This month he researched real property information with the assistance of Assessor Jeff Jackson. One report showed real property sales from 2006 – 2011. The sales totaled 70, averaging 12 per year for the six year interval. Year 2006 was the highest with 23.

Judy Leon stated she would be interested in knowing the recorded sales for a few years preceding 2006 to determine if the sales for those years were any where consistent with 2006.

Another report included a summary of exemptions from the year 2011(which totaled 1,155) and their impact upon city/town, county and school property taxes. Mr. Moppert related to the board that Assessor Jackson is willing to attend a meeting and discuss any questions the members may have.

In addition, Mr. Moppert stated he thinks it would be helpful to the board if it received yearly reports from the building inspector and the assessor.

No New Business

There being no further business before the board, Charlotte Banzhaf motioned, seconded by Dan Thomas, and carried, to adjourn at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Eddy, Secretary