

**Village of Cold Spring Code Update Committee  
85 Main Street, Cold Spring, NY 10516  
June 20, 2018**

**Meeting**

The Village of Cold Spring Code Update Committee held a meeting on June 20, 2018 at 7pm at the Village office at 85 Main St. Attending were board members: Bonny Carmicino, Norah Hart, Anne Impellizzeri, Paul Henderson and Karen Doyle; and Trustee Marie Early.

**CALL TO ORDER**

M. Early called the meeting to order at 7pm and noted that last week's NYSERDA telephone conference call was cancelled.. M. Early expects the next conference call to take place on the second Thursday of July. At that time she will inform NYSERDA that the CUC will not be able to meet the June 30, 2018 deadline.

**MINUTES**

P. Henderson made a motion to adopt the 5-16-18 minutes. N. Hart seconded and the motion passed 4-0 with A. Impellizzeri abstaining.

P. Henderson made a motion to adopt the 6-6-18 meeting minutes. A. Impellizzeri seconded and the motion passed 3-0, with K. Doyle and N. Hart abstaining.

**GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS**

CUC discussed GreenPlan's proposed approach to creating this standard. It's expected that Ted Fink will begin work on 6-22-18. During the discussion it was noted that:

- Should a requirement for LEED compliance be limited to commercial buildings?
- Green Plan's report should reference municipalities that closely match Cold Spring in population and physical size
- NYS requires that a renovation of 50% or more of a property will trigger compliance with all NYS code requirements
- Clarification is needed for "development"
- What way will GreenPlan's suggestion to use Energy Star exceed NYS requirements?
- CUC consensus is that energy code compliance testing would be onerous
- While tax incentives to encourage green building practices are laudable, the Village is unable to offer them.
- P. Henderson will draft an email to Ted identifying the CUC's questions and concerns relative to Ted's June 5<sup>th</sup> memo .

**OUTDOOR LIGHTING STANDARDS**

In response to M. Early's query, Central Hudson (CH) provided the range of lamp wattages for street

lights in the village which vary across the village. In general commercial streets are more brightly lit than residential. During the discussion it was noted that:

- CUC discussed whether this standard should be included at all. Consensus is that since the Comprehensive Plan/LWRS calls for such a standard, that it should be included in the revised code
- The term “essential lighting” should be defined
- Replace “planning director” with “planning board or building inspector”
- The location of this standard (within the code) is T.B.D.
- A. Impellizzeri will modify the document to incorporate comments and provide the updated document by the next meeting.

### **STEEP SLOPE STANDARDS**

The most recent draft, prepared by B. Carmicino, was reviewed. During the discussion it was noted that:

- The scale of any plans should be no smaller than 1 inch per 20 feet.
- There is concern that the cost of surveys (that would be mandated by this standard) would be expensive and that it may be difficult to obtain permission from adjacent property owners
- A steep slope is defined as 20% or greater
- What activities would require a steep slope application?
- The language regarding rock outcroppings to remain per the current code
- CUC unanimously agreed that the Steep Slope Standard should be included in the code
- B. Carmicino will produce a new draft of the document.

### **RIDGELINE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

There were no comments about the draft except for a rewording in the last paragraph.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next CUC meeting will be held on 6-27-18 at 8pm.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

B. Carmicino made a motion to adjourn the meeting. N. Hart seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 9:03pm.

Submitted by:

Michael Mell

Marie Early	Date
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