

HOPE VILLAGE OVERLAY DISTRICT REVIEW COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 16, 2007

1) CALL TO ORDER -Chairman, Fred Faria called a meeting of the Hope Village Overlay District Review Committee (VRC) on Wednesday, May 16, 2007 to order at 7:35 pm. The members who were present were Fred Faria, Dean Huff, Angela DiMartino, James Seidel and Darlene Grant, Clerk.

At the request of the Hope Overlay District, John Robinson, both Architect and Principal of Hope Mill Village, provided the Overlay District with a complete project update of the Mill Complex.

-Items discussed on behalf of Hope Mill Village:

Removal of barn and black iron fence in front of Mill-

Barn: The overlay district indicated that this should be discussed with the Historic Preservation Commission prior to taking it down and rebuilding the unit.

Fence: Per the Overlay District, the black fence may be removed and replaced with a black aluminum fence. There should also be a fence at the water hole to keep both areas symmetrical.

-Items discussed on behalf of Hope Village Overlay District:

Water Tower: Painting and Signage to be presented before the Town Council.

Replacement of the Bell Tower – This is one of the most important items, historically. The Overlay district asked that it not be post-poned.

Determination of the cost of the Bell Tower will be underway shortly.

Phase 2, Luxury Condominiums – There may be approximately 4 pad sites that can be seen from Mill Street. The Overlay District would like to review the design of these units to ensure conformity with the Historic District.

Hope Mill Village agreed that Mr. Faria be involved in the design phase of the condominiums. Meeting Notices regarding the design of the condo's shall be sent out. Hope

Mill Village has recently emailed Mr. Faria preliminary renderings and floor plans of the condominium units

Parking: Hope Overlay District would like parking spaces to be removed from the front of the building, to either the sides, or back, as discussed in their last meeting

Robinson Design Inc. has noted the above request and is revisiting the site plan.

Hope Overlay District would like to see Elevations of the Picking

Shed. –

Elevations of the Picking shed shall be drafted

At the advice of the Hope Overlay District, Hope Mill Village will prepare a letter to RIPTA asking if it would be possible to have the first bus stop on Rt 116, Main Street, be at the Mill. It was also discussed that the bus could possibly use Mr. Izzi's lot as a turn around.

Having the bus stop at the Mill would also be an excellent Marketing tool.

All pertinent information shall be gathered and presented to the appropriate agencies.

It was agreed by both the Hope Overlay District and representatives of Hope Mill Village that there shall be regular meetings to discuss the progress of the development of the Mill Complex.

Respectfully submitted,

Fred T. Faria