



Office of Planning & Codes

Wiscasset Ordinance Review Committee Meeting Notes July 28, 2008

Members Present: Karl Olson, Doc Schilke, Jill Lorum, Jackie Lowell, Jeffrey Hinderliter (Town Planner). Members Absent: Pat Barnes, Larry Lomison

1. Meeting Opens at 5:40 PM.
2. July 14, 2008 meeting minutes approved
3. Agenda items discussed: Historic Preservation Ordinance, Road Signs, Home Numbering
4. Road Signs and House Numbering. Apparently there are some problems concerning the placement of road signs and numbering homes for 911 purposes. There are driveways that are becoming more like roads because they are accessing more than one home. Also, some people are not placing 911 numbering. Jeffrey stated that he needs to do some more work on this before he presents recommended language. Apparently there is some confusion as to whether there is an existing state law that requires homeowners to place road signs and home numbers. Would this law cover this and ordinance amendments would not be necessary? ORC discuss this some more. Jeffrey will check to see if a state law exists.
5. Historic Preservation Ordinance. Jeffrey introduces the Historic Preservation Ordinance. He states the ad-hoc historic preservation commission has been working on the development of this ordinance and he wanted to give the ORC an update and explain the ordinance. Jeffrey reviews each section of the ordinance. He indicates the district is large and includes many properties that may not be considered historic so the ordinance has two historic districts- one that applicants will be required to follow the rules and one where the commission rule is advisory only. ORC discuss why the original district was so large and laid out this way. Color is also discussed and some of the ORC feel color should be regulated. Jeffrey explains why the commission decided to not regulate color. Jill states that CEI is planning on parking lot work and she wonders if it will require review under this ordinance. Jeffrey says that it would. ORC continue discussion and review at a later date.
6. Other Business.
7. Adjourn: 6:30 pm.