

MINUTES

2016 ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING SOUTHERN MAINE PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

5:30 PM
June 22, 2016

In attendance were: Executive Committee Members: Robert Heard (Chairman), Jan Williams (Treasurer), Richard Dutremble, Perry Ellsworth, Gary Lamb, Judy Bernstein, Jim Nimon, Mike Perro, Beth Della Valle, Bill Mann and Paul Schumacher, Executive Director.

General Commission Members: John Sylvester (Alfred), Werner Gilliam (Kennebunkport), Mike Cote (County Commissioner), and Jon Carter (Wells Town Manager).

Absent were: Greg Tansley, Nancy Perkins, Richard Dutremble,

Meeting was called to order.

Rob Heard, Chairperson called the meeting to order.

1. ***Annual Report***

Perry Ellsworth made the motion to accept the Annual Report as written and Beth Della Valle seconded the motion. **Unanimously approved.**

2. ***Nominating Committee.***

A Nominating Committee list was presented. Paul advised the group that we needed more members and at the next meeting, we should chose a Vice Chair. It was decided that we should dissolve of the Secretary position. Perry advised the group that he has been contacting folks about joining our committee. *Jon Carter made the motion to accept the Nominating Committee as slated, and Perry Ellsworth seconded the motion.* **The Nominating Committee list was Unanimously approved.**

3. ***2016-2017 Budget***

Paul Schumacher explained that the budget only reflected the operating portion. No loans are included in it. The dues amounts are stable with a 3% increase. Paul has put in for a staff increase of 3%. More grants may be possible. *A motion was made to accept the budget by Jon Carter and seconded by Perry Ellsworth.*

Unanimously approved.

There was discussion about past interest in being able to hold meetings and have folks join-in via telephones. Paul explained that after speaking with our attorney, we would have to amend the bi-laws to do this. The attorney also stated that this issue is unresolved in Legislature. Group was reminded that we had spoken about possibly meeting in different locations, not always in Saco as an alternative.

Perry made the motion to adjourn and motion was seconded by Bill Mann.