Unity Planning Board Meeting February 19, 2013

Members present: John Piotti; Sydney Taber

Chair Piotti explained that there were no applications this month, but that he decided to not cancel the meeting, seeing value to cover two information items.

1) Old Grammar School.

Piotti explained that Maine Farmland Trust has worked with an architect/engineer to develop plans for the building and expect to seek contractor bids soon. If the bids are acceptable, MFT will likely want to move forward with the project. That decision could come as early as April. If MFT decides to move forward, a planning board application will be submitted. Piotti said that he would recluse himself when that application s submitted, given that he is an employee of MFT.

2) Need for Public Hearing.

Piotti noted that the PB was required to hold a public hearing on all proposed changes to the land use ordinance and that changes to Retail Growth District have been proposed. Piotti noted that he will aim to hold the hearing sometime the week of March 11, so that the hearing occurs prior to the Selectmen signing the warrant on March 18. Piotti will select a date based on the availability of space at the Community Center.