Planning Board minutes, January 17, 2023

In attendance: Ken Kahn Richard Nathhorst Tom Ewing Swan Keyes Steve Freedman

Absent: Van Stoddard

- 1. Minutes from the December 14, 2022 meeting unanimously approved
- 2. Comprehensive Plan phase 2 proposals: we received only one, from Innes Associates, with a project team including RKG Associates and Tighe & Bond. We agreed that we are already familiar with Emily Innes, Richard has convened with Tighe & Bond at a FRCOG event in the past, and RKG Associates has worked in various Massachusetts locations including Amherst. The Planning Board read the proposed scope and timeline together and discussed questions and observations.
- 3. After discussion, Tim motioned to recommend to the Select Board to accept the proposal from Innes & Associates, Steve seconded: The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion. Ken will deliver the news to Margie.
- 4. The Board discussed Steering Group recruitment.
- Tom suggested that we make an effort to include someone from the Board of Health and Conservation Commission.
- Swan suggested members from School Committee and public safety workers.
- Tim suggested that we be careful to include enough people who are not already in town government.
- Tom suggested Gary Gruber under consideration as Steering Group chair (he has experience in town government on Select Board, on Planning, and as Town Meeting moderator). All agreed, and Tom will discuss with Gary Gruber the possibility of chairing the steering committee.