

Members Present: Greg Heyer, Martha Varney, Mark Kane, Richard Wimble, Mark Hunziker
Public Present: Skip Taylor, ZA, Gabe Handy, Steve Minor, Robert Horr, Paul Bean, Andrew Kingman, Kane Smart, Shawn Gingue, Ralph McNall, Jim Meunier

7:00PM- **Greg Heyer** called the meeting to order. **G. Heyer** began the meeting with introductions of the Planning Commission members. **G. Heyer** also gave a brief introduction and overview of the AT&T Cell Tower project.

Andrew Kingman, Regional Director of External Affairs for AT&T and **Kane Smart of Downs Rachlin Martin PLLC**, representing AT&T, were invited to introduce and discuss their role in the project.

A. Kingman expressed that there is a network need, and that AT&T is seeking the best solution for the Town of Fairfax and AT&T. **K. Smart** stated that they are seeking the Town’s assurance in moving forward with a suitable alternative project site. **K. Smart** also stated that the project is in the initial stages and a new package would need to be created based on the new location and that a site plan would need to be put together. **A. Kingman** invited both the Board and the Public present to discuss any questions or concerns and share comments that they might have with the project.

The topics of discussion in relation to the proposed AT&T project were as follows:

Access points

Electrical utilities and whether they will be above or underground

Aesthetics

Height of the tower and if the proposed height would be necessary to achieve the networking goals

The possibility of alternate locations, and whether alternate locations were considered

Farming the field in the proposed new location

When construction would take place and will it interfere with this seasons farming/crop

The creating of the access point and who owns the road

Tax implications of the tower development to both the property owner as well as the Town

What benefits would the tower bring to the Town of Fairfax

The projected location appears to be possibly more beneficial to surrounding Towns

The possibility of the project to be withdrawn

Contracts and leases

The footprint of the tower

Effect on surrounding property values

Balloon simulation testing, when it would occur, and could the Town be notified when it would take place

Time frame for the project

8:25PM- **M. Hunziker** moved that the Planning Commission write a letter in support of moving forward with the new location. **M. Kane** 2nd. More discussion followed.

8:35PM- All in favor.

8:38PM- The Board thanked everyone for coming and asked if there were any other questions or comments. The Public declined.

The Board took a short recess.

8:50PM- Meeting resumed.

The minutes were reviewed from the last meeting, April 15, 2014. **M. Hunziker** made a motion to approve the minutes; **M. Varney** 2nd. All in favor.

There was discussion of the upcoming Public Hearing on May 20th, 2014 at 7PM. The Planning Commission decided to create a workshop meeting on Tuesday, May 13th, 2014 at 6:30 PM to prepare a presentation for the upcoming Planning Commission Public Hearing.

9:21PM- **M. Kane** moved to adjourn; **R. Wimble** 2nd. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Marshall, Planning and Zoning Assistant

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____
For the Planning Commission