# BATH PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Bath Planning Board was called on 2-20-07 for the purpose of conducting regular business.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jim Harper, Chair
James Hopkinson, Vice Chair
Bob Oxton
Andy Omo
Jennifer DeChant
David King
John Underwood (non-voting student member)
Chelsea Hall (non-voting student member)

### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

Robin Haynes

#### STAFF PRESENT

Jim Upham, Planning Director Tom Hoerth, City Arborist Denny Hebert, Cemeteries & Parks

Mr. Harper, Chair, called the meeting to order in the City Hall auditorium at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

#### **New Business**

Item 1

**Workshop** – Workshop with the Waterfront Park Committee to discuss pathway paving stones.

Prior to the meting Tom Hoerth had placed paving stones on the floor of the auditorium. One display of paving stones was stones that simulated cobblestones. The other display had a brown tint to the color.

At the meeting John James, Chair of the Waterfront Park Spruce-up Committee, explained that the intent of the his Committee was to have the pathway leading from Commercial Street to the City Pier surfaced in these gray-colored paving stones. The rest of the walkways would be edged with either these stones or cobblestones and then the entire pathway would be paved with these paving stones once there was money in the budget for this.

After looking at the displays the Planning Board decided that the gray color was appropriate not only for the Waterfront Park but also for the pathway to be built in front of the BathPort project.

### Other Business

Katrina Van Dusen, Regional Planner with Midcoast Council for Business Development and Planning, told the Board about the DEP-required changes to municipal shoreland zoning ordinances. She quickly highlighted the important changes and informed the Committee of a

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workshop being held by DEP in Newcastle on April 10<sup>th</sup>, which will go into the changes in more depth.

Mr. Upham told the Board that he would begin reviewing the Land Use Code to determine what changes need to be made and then would prepare draft changes. He said that he would do this as time allowed so that the amendments could be completed well before the deadline, July 1, 2008.

There being no other business to come before the Board ON A MOTION MADE AND SECONDED THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:10 PM.

Minutes prepared by Jim Upham, Planning Director.