REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

As the Town continues to develop, it is becoming increasingly important to have comprehensive zoning ordinances and other regulations to effectively manage growth in a manner which reflects the wishes of the community. In 2007 the new housing market remained very sluggish, and this enabled the Board to continue and focus its efforts to develop and improve the regulations.

The Board actively worked on the following activities:

- ♦ Creation of Site Plan Review Regulations for the newly adopted Village District
- **⋄** Creation of the Fremont Zoning District Ordinance and Map
- ♦ Amendments to Fremont Zoning Ordinances; Prime Wetlands, Aquifer Protection District, and Signs
- Amendments to Subdivision, Driveway, Site Plan Review and Excavation Regulations
- ♦ Updating several chapters of the Fremont Master Plan
- ♦ Updating the Capital Improvement Plan

David West, our Rockingham Planning Commission Circuit Rider, has attended each Planning Board meeting and provided additional professional services as needed throughout the year. Mr. West's contributions are greatly appreciated.

The Board also reviewed and acted upon the following proposals:

- 4 Subdivisions resulting in the creation of 8 new lots
- 1 Lot Line Adjustment
- 6 Excavation Renewal Permits
- 1 Site Plan Review
- 1 Site Plan Review Amendment
- 1 Scenic Road Trimming & Cutting Approval

The sudden death of the Board's Chairman, Larry Stilwell in December came as a great shock to the members and he will be greatly missed. Larry brought leadership and experience to the Board and was instrumental to the Board's successes.

I would like to give special thanks to our Recording Secretary and Land Use Administrative Assistant, Meredith Bolduc, whose wealth of knowledge and hard work are highly valued.

We are always looking for new volunteers to the Planning Board. Your input is valuable and we welcome you to come and join us.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Barham Planning Board Chairman