

PLANNING BOARD

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VIA TELECONFERENCING

Wednesday, November 10, 2021

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mark Carson, Chair
Bob Hartt, Vice Chair
Paul Marcel

Others Present: Sharon Fleck, Secretary
Larry Burke, NM5VN

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to call the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt, and Paul Marcel voted to approve the meeting being called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Review Minutes of October 13 and 27, 2021

The minutes were held until the next meeting as there wasn't a quorum present to approve either set of minutes.

Review Plans, if Any

The plans and Form A were reviewed for Pelky Farm 1834 Trust, located at Hayes Hill and Sisson Hill Road. There are 1.792 acres being cut out in order to build a small house. The property meets all setbacks and road frontage.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to approve cutting out 1.792 acres from the Pelky Farm 1834 Trust in order to build a small home.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt and Paul Marcel agreed to approve the plans as submitted.

New Business, if any

- Solar field Bylaw for Village District and Noise Reduction – The Board will look at noise restrictions from other town.
- Flow Chart for New Construction – Sharon is working on the flow chart.
- Riverbank Remediation – No update

Old Business

- Dark Sky – Bob and Tom sent a draft bylaw for Dark Sky. Bob also sent bylaws from other towns in Massachusetts which includes Dark Sky. Bob will look into the language from other towns and modify it to fit New Marlborough. Mark also wants to reduce the number of pages which will then have to be reviewed by the Board. Mark also wanted “light trespassing” to be part of the bylaw. Dark Sky will be reviewed at the next Board meeting. Bob will send highlighted sections for review.

Public Comment

Tara White explained to the Board the “light trespassing” she is experiencing living across the road from Berkshire Springs. She is going to send an email to them asking them to remediate the situation. Bob mentioned that he also is aware of their lights.

Paul mentioned that he has had negative comments regarding the Demolition Bylaw. Bob stated that other towns have Demolition Bylaws but he is concerned about the owners’ property rights.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt, and Paul Marcel agreed to adjourn to meeting at 7:40 p.m.

The next Planning Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Approved:  _____

Date: December 8, 2021