

## PLANNING BOARD

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### VIA TELECONFERENCING

Wednesday, February 24, 2021

### Minutes

Members Present: Mark Carson, Chair  
Bob Hartt, Vice Chair  
Paul Marcel  
Tom Sebestyen  
Jon James

Others Present: Sharon Fleck, Admin. Secretary

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**A motion was made, seconded and so voted to call the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.**

Mark Carson	Aye
Bob Hartt	Aye
Paul Marcel	Aye
Tom Sebestyen	Aye
Jon James	Aye

### Review Minutes

**A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the minutes of the February 19, 2021 meeting.**

Mark Carson	Aye
Bob Hartt	Aye
Paul Marcel	Aye
Tom Sebestyen	Aye
Jon James	Aye

### Discuss Berkshire Mt. Scenic Act and Ridgeline Protection with Conservation Comm.

Mark attended the Conservation Committee meeting last Saturday and advised it would like to pursue the Ridgeline Protection Bylaw. Nanci Worthington (Conservation Commission) forwarded a draft of a bylaw that is being put together by a person in Monterey which would also work with Ridgeline. If New Marlborough would like to be part of a multi-town bylaw, they would like the Planning Board to contribute \$500 to share the cost of the bylaw preparation. The Board requested a copy of a resume of the person preparing the bylaw.

### Discuss Town's Option MGL 61B Section 9 – Burnett

The paperwork received for Attorney Pucilowski regarding the 4.32 acres that Margaret Burnett wants to give to the State has illegible. The Board has requested a clearer copy before a decision is made.

### Review Plans as needed

None

### Review Dark Sky Bylaw

Bob contacted a Massachusetts planners' listserv group which was made up Planning Board people and professional planners and asked if anyone had developed a Dark Sky Bylaw for more rural communities. He will also reach out to Berkshire Regional Planning Commission for any model language on a Dark Sky bylaw. Google also had little information on the subject.

### Review unregistered Automobiles

Paul drafted a bylaw for the Board to review. Tom stated that some junk companies will remove old cars free of charge. Mark stated that he has noticed that some people have gotten rid of the junk cars while other people don't see it as a problem. A suggestion was made to send a letter to those people with those cars telling them that the cars can be removed free of charge. Paul will tweak the Dilapidated Motor Vehicle Bylaw to better suit the Towns' needs.

### Review Mail

No Mail to Review

### New Business – Old Business

The Board talked about having Zoom meetings; however, freeconference.com will also allow everyone to see one another; the Town pays for freeconference.com and it will be used at the next meeting.

### Public Comment

None

**A motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.**

Mark Carson	Aye
Bob Hartt	Aye
Paul Marcel	Aye
Tom Sebestyen	Aye
Jon James	Aye