

PLANNING BOARD

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VIA TELECONFERENCING

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Minutes

Members Present: Mark Carson, Chair
Bob Hartt, Vice Chair
Jon James

Others Present: Larry Burke, NM5VN

The meeting is being recorded by Zoom.com for the purposes of transcription.

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

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt and Jon James agreed to call the meeting to order.

Review Plans as needed

There were no plans to review

Review Dark Sky Bylaw

Bob stated that there are source documents which he will retype.

Unregistered Vehicles Bylaw

Paul agreed there should be one abutter and one resident to institute a complaint. This bylaw will be under the General Bylaws. Bob stated that he would like to have public feedback; but at the present, there are time constraints as the Annual Town Meeting (ATM) is scheduled for May 22, 2021. A Committee member will be available to answer questions at the ATM.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the Unregistered Vehicles bylaw as written on April 6, 2021, where one abutter and one resident would have to make a complaint to the Board.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt and Jon James agreed to the bylaw which will be on the Town warrant.

Curb Cut Bylaw

The reference to ADA compliance has been removed from the bylaw, which will be a General Bylaw not requiring a Special Town meeting. In addition, Town Counsel added language under Item 12 as follows:

A Curb Cut Permit will not be issued until the Highway Superintendent or his designee approves the Curb Cut Application and confirms the work has been completed in conformance with these requirements. The Highway Superintendent or the Select Board may impose a fine of \$100 for the first day and \$50.00 per day thereafter, for any construction undertaken in violation of this bylaw. Fines are to be administered by the Highway Superintendent under Chapter 21 of Massachusetts General Laws, non-criminal ticketing. Fines can be waived at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent or the Select Board.

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to accept the bylaw as written on April 23, 2021 under Section 21 of the General Bylaw.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt and Jon James agreed to the bylaw which will be on the Town warrant.

Review Mail

The Board reviewed the mail.

New Business

A Special Permit application has been received from the Inn on the Green for a floating wooden deck. The setback, however is only 25' and not the required 40.' Mark suggested that Peter Platt, owner of the Inn on the Green, explore a more secure way to anchor the tent that exists now. Mark also suggested that a site visit would be appropriate.

Old Business

None

Public Comment

None

A motion was made, seconded and so voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Mark Carson, Bob Hartt and Jon James approved the motion to adjourn.

Approved: _____



Date: May 12, 2021