

**New Marlborough Planning Board ("PB")**  
**Minutes**  
**July 22, 2020**

**Attendees**

Mark Carson (Chair), Paul Marcel, Tara White (Select Board), Bob Hartt

The meeting was called to order by the chair at 7:03 pm.

**Review of Minutes**

The minutes of the 6/24/20 PB meeting which had been deferred were accepted by Mark and Bob. Paul abstained because he was not a PB member on 6/24/20.

The minutes of the 7/15/20 PB meeting were unanimously accepted.

**Surveyors/ANR Review**

**Review of Mail**

70 Egremont Plain Road, Great Barrington – Notice of a public hearing on 8/10/20 for a special permit application submitted by Aviation Enterprise Associates regarding an aviation field in an R-4 zone.

1020 South Street, Great Barrington – Notice of a public hearing on 8/10/20 regarding a large-scale development.

98 Division Street, Great Barrington – Notice of decision of a special permit application granting permission for a free-standing sign.

**Old Business**

Accessory Dwelling By-Law

PB members were asked by Mark to familiarize themselves with the accessory dwelling by-law. There was a general discussion of the by-law. It is believed that there will be increased applicability of the by-law as more people migrate from other places during the pandemic.

### Return to In-Person Meetings

There was discussion that in-person meetings would be nice to have at this point and that the meetings could be more strategic than tactical. Tara pointed out, however, that there are still some logistical challenges because meetings need to be publicly noticed. We can't change the time or location of a meeting without public notice. If a meeting is held outside the Town Hall, but it rains, we would not be able to hold the meeting. In-person meetings will likely not be practical until the Town Hall can be opened to the public again.

### Berkshire Regional Planning Board

We discussed that Mark would be the delegate and Bob would be the alternate for Mark.

We discussed that as long as there is sufficient representation of citizens at the meeting, we would make every effort to present the marijuana bylaw change and have it voted on.

### **New Business**

#### Town Meeting

The focus of the next meeting on 8/12/20 will be to prepare for the presentation and discussion of the marijuana by-law and related amendments for the Town Meeting on 8/15/20.

#### Future Projects/Initiatives

We discussed that we would use the meeting following the 8/12/20 meeting to discuss Dan Doern's suggestions for future PB initiatives, prioritize them and pick one or two of the issues to focus on.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.