

Town of Newfane, Vermont

Planning Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2019

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: Newfane Town Office, 555 Vermont RT. 30, Newfane, VT

Present: Ken Estey, Lynn Forrest, Bob McCandless

DRB member present: Walter Dadik

- I. Call to order by Lynn Forrest at 6:00 PM
- II. Additions/amendments to the agenda: Before the meeting got underway Lynn resigned as chair. Ken motioned to discuss replacing her. All concurred. After discussion, Ken was nominated chair by Lynn, seconded by Bob. All in favor. Ken commenced running the meeting thereafter.
- III. Reviewed and approved Special meeting Minutes of May 16, 2019 as amended, June 10, 2019 regular meeting as amended and June 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes as amended.

IV. Old Business:

Zoning bylaws: discussion focused on having a working meeting to rework bylaws for Short Term Rentals (STR), setbacks and alternate housing. Ken motioned to him work on that, Lynn work on the schedule for implementing the by-law changes while Bob pursued his work on the Enhanced Energy Plan (EEP) and then discussion will follow at the meeting on August 8<sup>th</sup>. First drafts should be ready between August 4 and before August 8<sup>th</sup> for possible review.

A question about not allowing rentals in the Resource district. Discussion on whether or not that should be changed is ongoing.

EEP section of the Town Plan: Lynn motioned to have discussion wait until next meeting after Bob's work is reviewed by Marion Major at WRC at their July 31<sup>st</sup> meeting. Ken seconded. All in favor.

A question arose to ask Marion Major whether or not to make the EEP part of the existing TP or as an adjunct, stand-alone section. Bob will ask Marion Major.

V. New Business:

Bob motioned to change the meeting dates to the second and fourth Thursday of each month starting in August to accommodate all commissioners. Lynn seconded. All in favor.

Adjournment at 7:50 PM by Lynn. Bob seconded. All concurred.

Respectfully submitted

Bob McCandless

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