

Planning Commission Virtual Meeting Minutes  
May 18, 2020  
7:00 PM

Present: Peter Berger, Nicole Lewis, Clinton Woolley, Jim Seward, Gabrielle Macklin-Bickford, David Johnson, OkemoTV

Peter called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

The minutes from April 20, 2020 were reviewed and accepted by motion, second and vote (5-0).

Building Construction Registrations:

Moore/Davis Family Trust – Blackberry Lane, 20x30 cabin: approved

Landman – Shunpike Road, wood shed: approved (Peter will sign off on registration form tomorrow)

Wheeler – Route 155, 28x20 solar panel pavilion: approved (Peter will sign off on registration form tomorrow)

Subdivision:

Smith/Kenyon

- rec'd at town office 5/5/20
- needs to be reviewed with checklist: Clinton and Jim will stop in to the Town Office prior to May 22 to review plat using the checklist
- hearing needs to be scheduled for June 22
- abutting landowners need to be contacted in writing – list is on plat: Gabrielle will send out the letters
- hearing notice needs to be posted at town office & both post offices
- Process for Jim and Clinton to review the plat by May 22, hearing to be scheduled for June 22, and Gabrielle to send out the letters to abutting landowners, accepted by motion, second and vote (5-0)

Town Plan:

The Selectboard has tasked the Planning Commission with amending the Town Plan to include more specific language regarding the protection of natural locations/areas in Mount Holly. A concern raised by Peter is that this type of amendment could in effect resemble the type of restrictions that are typically imposed by regulations of zoning, which has historically been rejected through a majority vote by Mount Holly residents. The

League of Cities and Towns has indicated that it is not necessary to name specific locations in a Town Plan. Gabrielle will communicate the following proposed next steps, in writing, to the Selectboard: the Planning Commission is willing to revisit the Selectboard's request when it is again conducting meetings in person, and prior to this would like to have an in-person conference with the members of the Selectboard to clarify expectations.

Correspondence:

The Planning Commission regretfully accepts the letter of resignation submitted by Peter Berger.

Other:

Clinton and Jim will prepare documents prior to the June meeting.

Nicole will submit the meeting minutes to the Chit Chat prior to the 22<sup>nd</sup> of the month.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM by motion, second and vote (5-0).

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nicole Lewis  
Planning Commission Secretary