

Wilmington Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 26, 2018
Meeting Time: 4:00 P.M.

Open meeting

Cheryl opened the meeting at 4:07 PM.

In attendance: Cheryl LaFlamme, chair, John Lebron, Meg Staloff, Angela Yakovleff
Craig Ohlson, Zoning Administrator, Scott Tucker, Town Manager, Ann Manwaring (at
4:15)

Visitor: Jack Widness

Possible additions to the agenda

None

Approve minutes from 10/22

Meg made a motion to approve the minutes of October 22, 2018 meeting.

John seconded.

In favor: Cheryl, John, Meg, Angela

Opposed: None

Public comment

None

Discuss Tactical Basin Plan & Outstanding Resource waters designation with Jack Widness.

A summary of the Tactical Basin Plan was reviewed. Jack Widness provided information concerning this plan. It would provide additional protections for keeping bodies of water pristine. He noted in 1987 when the plan was first developed rivers were designated, but never lakes. Four years ago Lake Raponda was on the list of bodies of water meeting some but not all of the fourteen conditions.

Marie Caduto from ANR had spoken to the Planning Commission in the past. Jack is hopeful the Planning Commission is interested in pursuing Lake Raponda's designation as an Outstanding Resource Waters. The rules for applying are being revised to make the form and procedure easier. John thinks this could be beneficial. It could help address present concerns about the lake sooner rather than later.

Cheryl wondered about the cost/expense and what the value is?

After discussion, John Lebron volunteered to call Marie Caduto to clarify questions before any decisions are made.

Meg thinks this stresses the importance of river corridor mapping by protecting open spaces where water can go.

Cheryl asked to have flood hazard conditions discussion on the December 10, 2018 agenda.

Review and discussion of proposed Zoning Ordinance Article IV and VII changes

Anne wonders if we want to reconsider absolute prohibition of ground mounted solar arrays in light of the fact technology is changing at such a rapid pace?

John queried what constitutes an array?

The Select Board can add small changes such as the definition of arrays up to fourteen days before the public hearing.

We will work on language and send the Zoning Ordinance to the Select Board for review and to schedule a public hearing.

Cheryl suspended the meeting at 4:48 PM.

Open Public hearing

The Public hearing was called to order by Cheryl at 5:01 PM regarding Articles IV & VIII ordinance updates.

No visitors were present.

John requested a spread sheet of permit applications. Craig has the local permits. There is an Act 250 log. Craig will forward a copy of the spreadsheet to John.

Meg made a motion to accept the Zoning Ordinance changes in Article IV. John seconded.

In favor: Cheryl, John, Meg, Angela

Opposed: None

John made a motion to accept the Zoning Ordinance changes in Article VII. Angela seconded.

In favor: Cheryl, John, Meg, Angela

Opposed: None

Cheryl closed the hearing at 5:11 to return to the meeting.

Adjournment

Meg mad a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:12. John seconded.

In favor: Cheryl, John, Meg, Angela

Opposed: None

Next meeting: December 10, 2018

Agenda item: Flood Hazard Conditions discussion

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Yakovleff, clerk