Planning Commission Minutes Monday February 28 at 4 pm via Zoom

Meg opened the meeting at 4:03PM

In attendance Meg Staloff, Chair, Michelle Carlson, Brian Holt, John Lebron, Angela Yakovleff (at 4:15)

Mike Tuller, zoning administrator, Gretchen Havreluk, Economic Development Specialist **Possible Additions to the Agenda**

none

Public Comment

None

Approve Minutes from 2/14/2022

John made a motion to accept the minutes from 2/14/22. Brian seconded.

In favor: John, Meg, Michele, Brian Opposed: none

Approve Minutes from 1/24/22

Amend minutes to reflect John Lebron joined meeting at 4:20 PM.

Michele made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. John seconded.

In favor: Angela, Meg, Michelle, John Opposed: none Abstain: Brian

Discussion of Candidates for Bylaw Modernization Grant Steering Committee

Several Townspeople have been approached to see if they have interest in being a member of the steering committee. The role of the committee is as follows:

Role of the Steering Committee:

o Provide input and direction to WRC staff on overall project goals, schedule,

planning for public meetings, and draft bylaw revisions.

o Help communicate to residents, businesses, and property owners the goals

of the project.

o Provide recommendations to the Planning Commission.

Brian is willing to be a Planning Commission representative.

Michele would like to serve on the committee, but said she needs support since she is a new community member. She does not want to be the only Planning Commission representative. Todd Gareiss is willing to serve on the committee representing landlords. Tony Tribuno said he will serve as a Select Board member. Meg will confirm with him. Gretchen Havreluk will also be a member of the committee.

Diane Chapman has interest but needs more information. Meg will join the committee if she is officially needed.

Additional members being sought are a DRB member (to be taken up at the March 7 meeting,) someone with interest in senior housing, a tenant. Brian and Meg will contact community members. John knows someone who may be interested from Lake Raponda area if needed.

Resume discussion around clarifying language for Solar Installation; changes to Article 7

Conversation around the language for solar installation. Article 4 Section 421 Add Solar to the list of exemptions.

Article 7 Section 732 reviewed and approved redline as discussed in last meeting/ sent prior to meeting (see last minutes.) Add to Article 10, Definition of small solar energy systems.

Brian suggested updating the language to state Solar Projects regulations are enforced by the Public Service Board.

Mike said he will defer to the Town attorney on language around screening and buffers in Article 7 Section 730 F.

Resume conversation around adding language on public art installations to Article 4, Section 421

Add definition to Article 10

Discussion as to whether we need to add anything about or exempting public art to the existing document. John asked, "What are we trying to allow?"

Mike said the zoning Administrator could make the determination. We should promote art.

Michele left the meeting at 5:00 PM.

Brian recommends adding nothing to create less confusion. He asked what other towns do. Are there other places where public art is addressed?

Meg said we could include wording in Definitions (Article 10.) Some towns address public art under signs.

At the next meeting, March 14, 2022, we will look at the definition of "sign" in Article 10.

Next Meeting Monday March 14 at 4:00 PM via zoom and in person at Town Meeting Room.

Adjournment

John made a motion to adjourn at 5:30. Brian seconded. In favor: Meg, John, Brian, Angela Opposed: none.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Yakovleff, scribe