

Planning Commission Minutes
Monday June 24, 2024
4:00 pm

1. Open regular meeting

Matthew Moore opened the meeting at 4:10

In attendance:

Matthew Moore (Chair) via zoom, Michele Carlson, Erik King, Cheryl LaFlamme

Absent: Brian Holt

Others Present:

Kathleen Santosuosso, Joe Santosuosso, Rebecca Landenberger, Brian Lynch

2. Public Comment: none

3. Additions to Agenda: none

4. Approve Minutes:

3/25/2024 & 5/13/2024: Required members (3) that were at these two meetings were not in attendance to approve minutes.

4/22/2024: Erik made a motion to approve the minutes of April 22, 2024, Michele second, All in favor

5. Trainings:

Reminder of scheduled AMP Board trainings with VLCT on July 23 @ 4:00-6:00. This is the first of two trainings.

6. Article VI Update: Alyssa Sabeto from Windham Regional has been working with Jessica to update article VI, the red line version is ready. Alyssa will be at two meetings to update the Planning Commission of these changes, first on July 8 and Aug 12. Questions can be formulated between sessions.

7. Article IX Update: Will begin work after Article VI and time allows for collaborating with Matt Bachler at Windham Regional.

8. Helicopter Landing Pads: Members of the public spoke about concerns of recent Helicopter pad application. In the town's bylaws this use is currently "uses not provided for" which is directed to DRB. Committee discussed updating this use in bylaws. Discussed reviewing John Zicconi, Transportation Board Secretary, memo dated Feb 10, 2021, Re: Permitting Helipads and Airstrips. In the letter he offers assistance to Vermont municipalities for zoning this use.

Members of the public that spoke to this issue were Kathleen Santosuosso, Joe Santosuosso and Brian Lynch. They were concerned of the noise and disturbance of helicopter use in the rural and agriculture community, they live in close proximity, suggested using resources of John Zicconi, stated that there are many concerned residents. Asked when this will be addressed. PC reviewed the process of our commission that recommends to Selectboard final decisions and the opportunity

for public to address both commissions on this issue. It is on the PC agenda with the intention to complete this year.

9. Update from Zoning Administrator:

Jessica asked that an update to the description of "Secondary Uses" be considered. It currently states "Secondary Uses" are allowed as Conditional Uses in those Zoning Districts that allow only one Principal Building and one Principal Use on a lot" because lots can have varied uses suggests changing this to read " Secondary Uses are allowed as Conditional Uses unless otherwise defined as permitted or allowed use in bylaws"

10. Other Items: Erik is spearheading the Town Plan rewrite and asked to be on next agenda to update PC and organize the various tasks that need to be scheduled; public involvement meetings, gathering of committees. The first task is to write grant, Windham Regional is on hand to help this process.

Cheryl made a motion to adjourn at 5:16, Michele second; all in favor

Next Meeting scheduled for Monday, July 8, 2024

Respectfully Submitted

Michele Carlson, Clerk