

Draft
West Rutland Planning Commission (PC) Special Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2023 6:30pm Town Offices, 35 Marble St.

Members Present: D. Lincoln (Chair), Sean Barrows, Leona Minard, Michael Brzoza (Vice-Chair)

Also Present: Jeffrey Biasuzzi (as Alternate & Recorder)

Call to Order: Chair D. Lincoln called the Meeting to Order at 6:35 pm, and led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. The Meeting was not electronically recorded.

Agenda:

S. Barrows made a Motion to accept the draft agenda. L. Minard seconded, all approved, and Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes:

The January 4, 2023 Meeting was cancelled. There were no un-approved Minutes to review.

Open Meeting to Public Input. No Public in attendance.

Election of Officers and Establishment of Procedure:

1. Considering the departure of D. Lincoln at the end of his appointment in March, L. Minard Moved to nominated S. Barrows as Chairman for 2023, who accepted the nomination. M. Brzoza seconded the Motion, all approved, and the new Chair took over the meeting.
2. S. Barrows Moved to nominate M. Brzoza as Vice-Chair, who accepted the nomination. L. Minard seconded, all voted in favor, and the Motion passed.
3. J. Biasuzzi was re-appointed the Recording Secretary.

The Regular PC Meeting date remained the first Wednesday of each month, at Town Office Conference Room. The *regular Meeting time was changed to be 6:00 pm.*

Develop PC Objectives for 2023:

The following possible objectives were discussed (no priority identified):

1. *Update the Town Plan.* This is to be renewed by 3/28/2024. L. Minard is to contact Devin Neary, Director of RRPC on what assistance the Regional Commission can provide in preparing an updated Plan. This might include researching the possibility for construction of a Public in-ground swim pool at the Recreation Field. Leona to report the Regional Commission's suggestions at the next PC meeting.
2. *Amend the Town Flood Hazard Area regulations* to improve the Town's ERAF rating, which may be negatively impacted by the recent zoning rule changes.
3. Draft a free standing and comprehensive animal control Ordinance; as requested by the Select Board at their 2/13/2023 meeting.
4. Amend the Zoning regulations to correct typos, and including possible addition of Judicial Court enforcement & penalties (civil Citations) in addition to current Environmental Court enforcement.

Discuss Other & Misc. Business:

J. Biasuzzi updated the Members on general progress by the Rutland Housing Trust to develop a multi-family project at 376-416 Main St. He also reported on some local interest to purchase the Bailey Motors property. He is to research new activity at the former Saphire Industries self-storage property. Rosen & Berger's property has not changed title.

Meeting Schedule:

The next scheduled P.C. meeting is for **Wednesday April 5, 2023, at new (regular) time of 6:00 pm** at Town Office.

Adjournment:

L. Minard Moved to conclude the Meeting; M. Brzoza seconded, All approved and the Meeting adjourned at 7: 55pm.

Respectfully submitted by J. Biasuzzi

Approved: _____