

Conway Planning Board (PB)

May 7, 2020

Minutes – Meeting by Zoom (phone/video)

Members Present by phone: Beth Girshman (Chair), Joseph Strzegowski (Vice-Chair), Mary McClintock, Bill Moebius

Other attendees: Alexis Fedorjaczenko (Staff)

Location: Remote by Zoom (phone/video) in accordance with memo from Town Administrator dated March 17, 2020 (“Logistics for Committees During the COVID-19 Emergency”)

Meeting Called to order at 6:00 pm

1. Motion by Joe to approve the meeting minutes of April 16, as amended, seconded by Mary. Motion passes 4-0-0. Motion by Joe to approve the public hearing minutes of April 16, seconded by Bill. Motion passes 4-0-0.
2. Motion by Joe to close the Public Hearing and public comment; seconded by Mary. Motion passes 4-0-0.
3. Elections – open seat, general discussions.
4. Citizens’ petition (regarding marijuana bylaws) – discussion
 - a. Review of draft bylaw text drafted by Joe and Beth. Discussion regarding medical marijuana and outdoor cultivation. Discussion about setbacks and dimensional requirements; and the difference if any between buildings and structures. Further discussion about changes to the text to be presented at Annual Town Meeting. Extensive discussion about canopy space (which was removed) and the most appropriate way to limit size.
 - b. Letter from Ag Commission – states that they want to ensure the bylaws will only apply to marijuana cultivation without setting other precedents.
 - c. Motion by Beth to share the revisions with citizen’s petition group; seconded by Mary. Motion passes 4-0-0.
5. Multi-hazard action plan – Action items from 2019 mitigation plan update: establishing river corridor overlay. Continued discussion re: adding “reduce or eliminate the protentional for localized flooding events” to Section 32, Environmental controls of protective by-laws (Beth and Joe) – will be discussed at the next meeting
6. Upcoming meetings – shall we continue 2x/month, or meet on different schedule? – no additional discussion
7. Affordable housing, tiny house and Zoning by-laws – no additional discussion
8. Zoning use table revision (Joe and Mary) – for FY 2021? – no additional discussion
9. Mail/email – none

10. Old Business – none

11. New business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance – none

12. Schedule, Planning Board meetings

Generally, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings: May 21, 2020; June 4, 2020; June 18, 2020

Motion by Mary to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Bill. Motion passes 4-0-0.

Phone meeting concluded at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alexis Fedorjaczenko