

Conway Planning Board (PB)

June 4, 2020

Minutes – Meeting by Zoom (phone/video)

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

Other attendees: Alexis Fedorjaczenko (Staff), Susan Fentin, Gary Fentin

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 6:06 pm

1. Motion by Joe to approve the meeting minutes of May 21, seconded by Mary. Motion passes 5-0-0.
2. Citizens’ petition – discussion
 - a. Discussion of the order of what is expected to occur at Annual Town Meeting (ATM), and coordination of handouts. Joe asked Gary to draft a document with strikeouts and additions to the original article; Gary will send this to Joe.
 - b. Beth reviewed the document “Article 11 revisions Joe and Beth 2020” and there was discussion about areas of agreement and disagreement between Petitioners and the Planning Board.
 - c. The Planning Board agreed to take a vote on the
 - d. Motion by Joe that the Planning Board vote to support the Citizen’s Petition version sent on June 4, as amended by the current conversation; seconded by Mary. Roll call vote: Beth (no); Joe (no); Bill (no); Mary (no); Jennifer (no). Motion fails 0-5-0.
 - e. Motion by Joe that the Planning Board delete Section 11.5T (neighborhood character) as proposed by the Citizens’ Petition; seconded by Bill. Motion passes 5-0-0.
 - f. Motion by Beth that the Planning Board delete Section 11.5K (Tier 5+ outdoor cultivation for 3 years) as proposed by the Citizens’ Petition; seconded by Joe. Motion passes 5-0-0.
 - g. Motion by Joe that the Planning Board leave Section 11.4D (distance from residences) at 200 feet as in the existing bylaw; seconded by Mary. Motion passes 5-0-0.
 - h. Further discussion about logistics at ATM. Joe suggested it would be efficient to have all the handouts for items on the warrant packaged together and stapled. There was discussion with people’s comfort about paper and Gary suggested that the handouts be prepared more than 24 hours in advance and people should be told that. Mary

also suggested the materials could be put on the website. Beth will write to the Select Board, Town Moderator Nick Filler, and Town Administrator Tom Hutcheson.

- i. Motion by Mary that a Planning Board member make a 1-page handout describing the Planning Board's amendments; seconded by Joe. Jennifer volunteered. Mary and Joe are willing to review. The Planning Board agreed to get the final document to the down by Thursday June 11. Motion passes 5-0-0.
3. Multi-hazard action plan – Action items from 2019 mitigation plan update: establishing river corridor overlay. Continued discussion re: adding “reduce or eliminate the potential for localized flooding events” to Section 32, Environmental controls of protective by-laws (Beth and Joe) – no discussion
4. Affordable housing, tiny house and Zoning by-laws – discussion about an accessory dwelling unit project Joe read about in Northampton, and also about applicable zoning in Conway.
5. Zoning use table revision (Joe and Mary) – for FY 2021? – no discussion
6. Mail/email – none.
7. Old Business
 - a. NexAmp Solar – Bruton and Beth were notified they were getting ready to move to the next phase. A check is coming from NexAmp to hire Tighe & Bond to do the inspections of erosion control work. Tree cutting is beginning.
8. New business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance
9. Schedule, Planning Board meetings
Generally, 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 6-7:30 p.m.
Next Meeting: June 18, 2020
Town Meeting: June 20, 2020
Summer Meeting schedule: July 9, 2020; August 13, 2020

Motion by Joe to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mary. Motion passes 5-0-0.

Remote meeting concluded at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alexis Fedorjaczenko