

Conway Planning Board
December 17, 2020

Minutes – Meeting by Zoom

Members Present: Beth Girshman (Chair), Mary McClintock, Jennifer Mullins, Susan Fentin, Joseph Strzegowski (associate member)

Other Attendees: Alexis Fedorjaczenko, Alyssa LaRose (FRCOG)

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 6:02 pm.

Motion by Susan to approve the meeting minutes of November 19; seconded by Mary. Motion passes 4-0-0.

1. Letter to NexAmp, expectation for screening plantings

- Review of the letter and recipients.
- Motion by Mary to accept the letter as revised, with appreciation to Joe and Susan for drafting it, and with instructions to Beth to send the letter as discussed; seconded by Susan. Motion passes 4-0-0.

2. Public hearings / Information sessions – Next steps

- Press release material for information sessions has been drafted and sent to Conway Currents and to Town Administrator for website posting. Will be sent to news outlets in January. Beth asked how to get “word of mouth” out; Mary suggested that in January Susan could share it with the next door neighbors’ group, which Susan agreed to.
- Mary suggested making it clear that people can join the meeting by Zoom or by a regular phone without computer / video, and also that a video recording will be available afterwards. Discussion about using bitly to make a short link available for the Zoom and using this link in all press materials going forward.
- Discussion about using “raised hands” in Zoom to help manage public questions. Set outline for the meeting. Mary will facilitate.

3. Alyssa LaRose, FRCOG, Conway housing, zoning, next steps (6:30)

- Alyssa updated the data within the document as had been agreed, and reviewed the new information for the Planning Board.
- Discussion continued to next meeting.

4. Article 9, Zoning Bylaws / Large Scale Solar Facility Bylaw, no discussion

Mail — No mail.

Old business –

- Deerfield River Portage – no discussion
- Planning Board archives – no discussion
- Zoning use table revision, for FY 2022 – no discussion

New business not reasonably anticipated 48 hrs. in advance — none

Motion by Susan to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Jennifer. Motion passes 4-0-0. Remote meeting concluded at 7:34 pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

- January 7
- January 21 (Public Information session)

Respectfully submitted,
Alexis Fedorjaczenko

Documents

- Letter to NexAmp
- Conway Housing Needs Assessment, Revised Dec. 2020