

**Conway Planning Board Minutes**  
**Thursday, November 17, 2022 7-8:30 p.m.**  
**Location: Meeting conducted remotely via Zoom**

**Present for the Planning Board:** Beth Girshman, Chair; Jenn Mullins, George Forcier, Joe Strzegowski, Associate Member

**Absent:** Susan Fentin, Bill Moebius

**Others Present:** John Moore, Roaring Glen Farm; Louise Beckett, Assistant to the Planning Board

**Approve the minutes of November 3, 2022** - tabled for lack of a quorum.

*Wireless/telecommunications bylaw, next steps*

George looked at what other towns have for wireless bylaws - Buckland in particular. Some towns have specific requirements built into their bylaws compared to ours which is more general. It's less clear for the applicant going in as to what's going to be required. Does Conway want a bylaw that is more specific or a bit more aspirational? Less specificity gives the town more flexibility. Many towns are now using 'use tables' - how much different from other nearby towns do we want to be in our bylaw?

*In-person Planning Board meetings – hybrid? When?*

Do we want to have some of us in the Town Hall, maybe starting in January? There have been some issues with the sound using the OWL, but there may be an alternative. We will need to have protocols in place.

**Future items:**

*River corridor overlay zoning*

We will be talking with FRCOG at our December 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Do we have a strategy in our open space plan, and what are our priorities? The open space plan is well done, but whether they prioritize needs or not is unclear.

*Revision of current Cannabis bylaws – possible change; potential public hearing*

We should do this as a public hearing at a regularly scheduled planning board meeting - give it up to an hour. Should do it in advance enough of the June Town Meeting, say in March. Amending the existing cannabis bylaw to address the craft coop ownership model, and make it part of the bylaw. We should suggest that any site plan review should be done ahead of time when applying for a special permit.

*Potential zoning bylaw revisions*

There is a specific piece of law about adopting enabling legislation to allow a planning board to enact regulations without going to Town Meeting. We may have done this with our special permit fees.

*Mail/email*

There is an outdoor cannabis cultivator in Whately who wants to add indoor growing to their use. That public hearing is being held tonight.

*Old Business*

None

*New Business*

None

*Public Comment*

None

**Upcoming Meetings:** 1st and 3rd Thursdays  
December 1, 15

Adjourn: At 7:50 p.m. on a motion from George to adjourn, Jenn seconded, all said aye and the vote was unanimous in favor.