



TOWN OF Concord
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
JUNE 23, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Cynthia Stuart , Chair, Jim Gochie, Judy Kurtz, John Christman, Steven Bean, Meagan Johnson

Members Absent: None

Board Secretary Present: Meagan Johnson

Other Officials Present: Alan Smith, Zoning Administrator

Citizens Present: L Brach

Cynthia brought the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

I. Approval of June 23, 2020 agenda

Judy asked to add discussion about Town Forest webinar she attended and to discuss Town development ideas. John made the motion to accept the June 23, 2020 agenda with those additions. Steve second the motion. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

II. Approval of May 20, 2020 Minutes

Judy made the motion to approve the May 20, 2020 minutes. John seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

III. Citizens' concerns

Mr. Brach would like to have more discussion about getting broad band internet access in Concord. He also discussed needing to bring in an industrial park/more business. He asked if Planning and Zoning could bring this up to the Selectboard to see if there is a way to bring in more businesses.

IV. Zoning Administrator Report

Alan reported that there have been a few permits requested for decks and small additions. He also has been following up on some outstanding items. The Main street owned by Shirley Bunnell that has not been cleaned up within the required timeframe is now being assessed a daily fine for not being in compliance. Should it come into compliance, Alan will let the PZB and Selectboard know, and it will be up to the Selectboard to collect the fine.

V. Miles Pond Pavilion

Cynthia reached out the company that put in a pavilion at the new campground in Lyndonville. She will be meeting with them this week to get more options and figures. Once all information is collected the town can proceed with researching grants.

VI. Town Forest

Judy attended a Town Forest webinar which discussed the 10 town's in VT that have town forests. Concord does not have a town forest, but the town has plenty of forested land. There may be an opportunity to have someone come to a meeting to discuss how Town forests come about and how to properly take care of them.

VII. Town Plan

Judy wanted to further discuss some thoughts on next steps for developing the town. Judy did some research on a few organizations that would come in and work with the town to come up with a plan to work on. Cynthia was able to get everyone a copy of the Town of Concord Vermont Municipal Plan. Everyone will look over and come with thoughts and ideas for our next steps at the next meeting.

VIII. Executive Session if Warranted

The board did not meet in executive session.

John made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m. Jim seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously (6-0).

Next Meeting: July 21, 2020 @ 6:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Meagan Johnson
Secretary

Cynthia Stuart, Chair

John Christman

Jim Gochie

Meagan Johnson

Judy Kurtz

Steven Bean