

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, VERMONT
PLANNING COMMISSION
Minutes of February 17, 2020
Planning Commission Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chair Hill-Eubanks.

Roll Call: Present for the meeting were Commissioners Laura Hill-Eubanks, Nancy Peck, and Aaron Rhodes; also present was Clerk Mitch Osiecki. Commissioners Chandra Blackmer and Ruth Ruttenberg were absent.

Public Participation: None.

Set/Adjust Agenda: Addition to agenda: correspondence regarding the Bone Hill Solar project.

Bone Hill Solar: Representatives of Bone Hill Solar have filed a petition for a Certificate of Public Good with the Vermont Public Utility Commission. Bone Hill Solar has provided copies of documents relating to this filing to the Northfield Planning Commission.

Town Plan Update: Select Board has suggested some wording changes and/or edits to Town Plan as presented by the Planning Commission (the current Final Draft). For ease of future reference, the Select Board's edits will be attached to these minutes.

Laura will talk to Jeff Schulz about steps that remain in the approval process. The working copy of the Town Plan is in pdf form and resides with planning consultant Brandy Saxton. Once final edits are settled on, they will need to be passed on to Brandy, so she can update the Final Draft for formal approval by the Select Board. The Select Board meets next on February 25 – it's unclear whether they will have time to consider approval of the Town Plan at that meeting.

Other Business: Discussion of alternate dates and times for future Planning Commission meetings. First or fourth Wednesdays seem to have the best availability for everyone. Preference is to continue to meet at the Community Room of Brown Public Library. Consensus is that an earlier meeting time would also be preferable. Either 6:00 or 6:30 could work – will settle on a time and date next meeting. Mitch will confirm availability of the room.

Approval of Minutes: Peck moved to approve minutes of January 20, 2020; Rhodes seconded. **Motion carried 3-0-0.** Peck moved to approve minutes of special meeting of February 10, 2020; Rhodes seconded. **Motion carried 3-0-0.**

Next Regular Meeting: March 16, 2020.

Adjournment: Peck moved to adjourn; Rhodes seconded. **Motion carried 3-0-0.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.