



**Town of West Newbury
Planning Board
Tuesday April 18th, 2023
381 Main Street, Town Office Building
www.wnewbury.org
Minutes of Meeting**

Open Session: 7:00 PM by remote participation (see below)

Addendum to Meeting Notice regarding Remote Participation:

Pursuant to Chapter 20 Of the Acts of 2021, “An Act Relative to Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency”, Approved by the Governor, June 16, 2021, which extended permissions for boards and commissions to conduct remote meetings, the Planning Board conducted its meeting via remote participation. The meeting agenda included instructions for the public about how to participate remotely. No in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted, but every effort was made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means. In the event that it has been unable to do so, despite best efforts, the Board will post on the Town of West Newbury website an audio or video recording, transcript, or other comprehensive record of proceedings as soon as practicable after the meeting.

Chairperson Ann Bardeen called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Members in attendance were Ann Bardeen, Ray Cook, Tim Cronin, Deb Hamilton and Brian Murphey. All participated via Zoom Conference.

1. Discussion of Stormwater Management Permit Regulations

Town Manager, Angus Jennings, Lori Kennedy from Horsley Whitten and the members of the Planning Board discussed the Stormwater Management Permit Regulations. Kennedy went over the notes and proposed edits – planning board members shared their thoughts. Kennedy made notes on additional edits and will revise draft accordingly and send to the planning board.

2. MBTA Communities Project Kick-Off

Peter Flinker, of Dodson and Flinker, presented the MBTA Communities Project Kick-off presentation. The presentation included an overview of the project approach, town-wide assessment review, visual housing alternatives, timeline of project, etc. Dillon Sussman, also of Dodson and Flinker, discussed questions that he had for the planning board members such as the preferred outcomes, goals for the project, identifying districts, etc.

3. Town Meeting Business

Ann Barden made a motion that the planning board vote to approve Article 22, the revised Solar Bylaw, as presented in the FinCom booklet. Seconded by Ray Cook. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

Bardeen made a motion that the planning board vote to approve Article 23, the Zoning Recodification Bylaw, as presented in the FinCom booklet. Seconded by Cook. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0.

Planning Board members reviewed and edited the draft rationale for the recodification article that Town Planner, Sue Brown, had prepared.

4. General Business:

- **Minutes** – There were none.
- **Correspondence:** There were none.
- **Administrative Details:** There were none.

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- **Placement of Items for Future Planning Board Agendas:** Items were identified and dates scheduled.
- **Items not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours in Advance of a Meeting:** There were none.

Adjournment:

Bardeen moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 P.M. Seconded by Cook. Roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Katelyn Bradstreet, *Administrative Assistant to the Planning Board*