

PC Members: Rob Litch, Co-Chair, Benjamin (Benj) Putnam, Co-Chair, Bev Landon, and Maggie Eaton
New Haven PC Staff: Robin Davison
New Haven Staff: Katie Raycroft-Meyer
Visitors: John Madden

I. Call to order - 7:06 by Rob

1. **Adjustments** – Katie requested we add a “Zoning Administrator Update” to New Business.
2. **Visitors Business** – John handed out packets with information supporting the following suggestions:
 - A. Select Board/PC contact the UVM Center for Suitable Agriculture to see what programs are available to help our established and evolving agricultural community.
 - B. Conservation Commission connect with Vermont Bioenergy Initiative for utilizing our fields and forests.
 - C. Support action to end and remove industrial scale solar arrays.

II. New/Old Business

1. **Zoning Administrator Update** – Katie brought up “site plan review instructions” to get confirmation on the DRB’s request. She has a draft for consideration. Champlain Preschool would like to rent a building in New Haven. Since their program is not recognized by the state, an interim zoning regulation would have to be put in place in order to allow them to rent a space. The PC suggested that Katie ask the preschool contact to put their request in writing to the Select Board for review.
2. **Town Plan Updates** – Katie shared her conversation with Claire Tebbs about updating the plan in sections, as suggested by Steve Dupoise. The conclusion by the PC is that the process would be too cumbersome and inefficient. Bev suggested that a 2 year effort and submission of updates may be more realistic and beneficial for the town. Maggie inquired on how to prioritize sections. Rob suggested prioritizing based on feedback in the plan review. Katie will email the plan review by Claire Tebbs to everyone.
3. **Energy Updates/Discussions/Reviews** – No updates at this time.
4. **Zoning Rewrite Regulations Update**
 - a. **Hiring a consultant to complete the work done to date.** Robin contacted Ed Hansen regarding this effort. He expressed interest in the work and emailed his contract for the PC’s consideration. Benj is going to forward the contract to the town attorney for approval or adjustments. The PC gave Robin permission to email the zoning regulations to Ed for review. She will do that after the meeting and also request Ed attend the next PC meeting.

5. May 10th Select Board, Planning Commission, and Development Review Board Meeting –

The following items were reviewed:

- a. **Zoning Districts Following Property Lines** – It was discussed that the zoning map isn't clear and needs to be updated. This conversation will be continued.
 - b. **Storage Trailers are considered structures according to the Vermont Supreme Court.**
 - i. **Limit number of storage trailers allowed on a site.** This should be done during the site plan review.
 - c. **Minimum / Maximum levels for such issues as dust, decibels, lumens** – Technical help is going to be required to make these determinations.
- 6. Other –**
- a. John Madden asked Robin to mail him the action item list from the SB/DRB/PC meeting.
 - b. Since the town office will be closed July 2 - 6, the next PC meeting agenda will be posted earlier than usual.

III. REVIEW OF MINUTES

1. April 9, 2018 minutes were deferred to the next meeting.
2. April 16, 2018 minutes were deferred to the next meeting.
3. May 14, 2018 minutes were approved. Bev made a motion, Rob 2nd, all were in favor.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE – None.

V. ADJOURNMENT – At 8:50, Benj made a motion to adjourn. Bev 2nds, all were in favor.

VI. OTHER – NEXT MEETING – July 9, 2018 – regular meeting

Approved on: 9/10/18


Rob Litch


Benj Putnam

Beverly Landon

Pat Palmer


Dan Monger


Maggie Eaton