

EGREMONT PLANNING BOARD
Minutes May 15, 2018

The meeting opened at 7:01 PM.

Present: Helen Krancer, Greg Cherin, Ed Regendahl, Jared Kelly, Lucinda Vermeulen also in attendance Marj Wexler.

The Vice-Chair read the following: *The official record of this meeting is being kept via written minutes. The Planning Board is not recording this meeting. Anyone wishing to record this meeting must inform the Chair prior to the meeting.* No one so stated.

Reorganization of the Planning Board:

- Chair: Lucinda Vermeulen
- Vice-Chair: Greg Cherin
- Clerk: Ed Regendahl
- Treasurer: Helen Krancer
- BRPC Rep: Jared Kelly

Mail:

- Note from Don Pulfer
- Egremont ZBA decision to approve Special Permit from Peter and Robin Goldberg for property at 68 Lakeside Drive
- Great Barrington decision to approve Special Permit from TOPA Enterprises LLC at 546 Main Street.
- Sheffield Planning Board Notice of Public Hearing May 23, 2018 to hear Special Permit Application for a Large Scale solar Photovoltaic Installation at 1589 Hewins Street
- Great Barrington Planning Board notice of Public Hearing on June 14, 2018 to hear special Permit Application from Briarbear LLC at 506 Stockbridge Road.

Form A's:

- None

Minutes:

- Review of minutes April 30, 2018. These minutes will be tabled to the next meeting after seeking clarification from former Board Chair Don Pulfer.

Citizens Time:

- Mary McGurn offered a comment saying the board has many challenges in the upcoming year and offered her appreciation and support in our commitment to take it on.

Discussion:

- Upcoming Priorities for the PB: Helen Krancer stated the ROD bylaw proposal was top priority over the Recreational Marijuana Bylaw (RMB) since the Town voted to have the Planning Board review and report on the ROD to the Select Board by October 31, 2018. The Planning Board discussed the options involved including recreation as an allowed commercial special Permit. Additionally we discussed the possible revision to the Special Permit Section to include Site Plan Review with specific requirements for all Special Permits. We also discussed holding an "Info Gathering" (brain storming meeting) to involve interested citizens in the recreational uses idea.
- Citizen's Questionnaire: We expect mailing to be early June latest and Lucinda will get a quote from Kwik Print for printing, mailing, envelopes, etc to discuss at the next meeting. We will also set a date for the Info Gathering to be included in the mailing and promote it on town Google Groups.
- Preparation for next meeting: Members agreed to peruse the current ROD bylaw proposal and recommend positive aspects thereof to be included in the drafting of the next recommendation to the Town and the BoS. We also agreed to gather research from other towns as to how they handle Recreational uses and the permitting of same.

Next Meeting: May 29, 2018

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm

Respectfully Submitted: Lucinda Vermeulen, Clerk