



Canaan Planning Board
Meeting on December 9, 2021
Mascoma Community Health Center
Minutes

Call to Order:

6:30 John Bergeron called the meeting to order.

Members Present:

John Bergeron, Richard Clancy (alternate), Claude Lemoi, Dave McAlister (select board ex officio), Chuck Townsend (via Zoom), Andy van Abs (via Zoom), and Christopher Wadsworth. Chuck and Andy were not reasonably able to attend in person because they were high risk individuals. John appointed Richard to fill Thomas Oppel's place in committee votes.

Others Attending:

Tom Shields

Minutes review:

Board members reviewed the minutes from the November 11, 2021 meeting. Claude moved and Dave seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Approval was unanimous.

Correspondence review:

none

Floodplain Ordinance public hearing:

John reviewed a document that summarizes the changes that were made to the older version of the regulations. The changes are largely unsubstantial but they clarify the regulation and update the wording.

7:00 John opened the hearing. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

Claude moved that the ordinance be submitted to the public at the March Town Meeting. Dave seconded the motion and approval was unanimous.

Capital Improvement Program:

The board reviewed the report that Claude had prepared for the Capital Improvement Program Committee. Claude explained some of the large cost increases of items in the plan. After board discussion Chuck moved that the board recommend the CIP be approved as presented. Claude seconded the motion and it was approved.

Rules of Procedure:

John thinks he has found an appropriate definition of an accessory dwelling unit, and will add it to the draft Rules of Procedure for consideration at the January meeting.

Community Power Update:

Chuck read a draft document providing a little familiarity with community power and calling for volunteers to join a committee that would consider the value of Canaan joining the program. He proposed that a finished document be sent to Mike Samson for inclusion in the Town blast email. Board members provided suggestions for improving the document, and they supported sending the document to Mike for publication.

Next meeting:

The next planning board meeting will be on January 13th at 6:30 pm at Mascoma Community Health Center and via Zoom.

Adjournment:

7:50 Claude moved and Dave seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. All Board members voted to accept the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Chuck Townsend, Secretary