

**Canaan Planning Board
Meeting on May 25, 2023
Mascoma Community Health Center/Zoom
Approved Minutes**

Call to Order:

6:32p John Bergeron called the meeting to order.

Members Present:

John Bergeron, Claude Lemoj, Corinne Morse, Thomas Oppel, Nick Lavalley (alternate filling in for Cody Hussey), Dan Collins (Select Board Ex-officio). No one on Zoom.

Public attendees:

None

Minutes review:

Review of minutes of May 11 was tabled by unanimous consent until Michael Riese can be present

Master Plan:

Board first agreed to table for a future meeting, but pursued a discussion about parameters for the subcommittee.

Dan Collins suggested the full Board might provide broad objectives to the subcommittee, but that the subcommittee should be given latitude to return to the full board with its ideas.

Corinne Morse noted that she and Thomas Oppel had spoken with the chair of the Enfield Planning Board who had led the latest master plan effort there and that he was willing to come speak to our board.

John Bergeron said that the full board would like updates on what the subcommittee is doing from time to time.

Claude Lemoj suggested that the subcommittee should also determine whether or not and to what extent subcommittee and board want to obtain public input.

Thomas Oppel said that while the subcommittee should be given a certain degree of latitude, he thought the issues raised, along with a time frame for the subcommittee to report back to the full committee, made sense.

Corinne Morse suggested providing the subcommittee until the first full Planning Board meeting in September was a reasonable time frame.

Full board reached a consensus that it will avoid micromanaging the subcommittee. The full board agreed on overall guidance that the subcommittee should consider actionable items where appropriate, and the possibility of using the revised master plan to promote the community. The subcommittee should also make recommendations on hiring an outside consultant and on public input. Subcommittee to report back to the full board by September 2023.

Subdivision regulations review:

Board agreed to postpone to next meeting.

Next meeting:

June 8th at 6:30 PM at the Mascoma Community Health Center.

Adjournment:

8:14 PM. Thomas Oppel moved and Corinne Morse seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas Oppel, Secretary