

Waterville Valley Planning Board
Summary of the Minutes for the
Planning Board Meeting
Held on Thursday, December 8, 2022, at 8:00 am

MINUTES

Video recording of the meeting is available on the Town website.

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER by Chair Wendi Rathgeber at 8:00 am
ALL VOTES WERE TAKEN BY ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL for Board Members and Seating of Alternates

1. **Full Members in Attendance:**
2. Chair Wendi Rathgeber, Vice Chair Nancy Knight, Rich Rita, Mike Koppel (seated at 8:57 am), John Recine, Rob Wilson
3. **Alternate Members in Attendance:** Alan Berko (seated), Morgan Diehm (seated at 8:02 am, unseated at 8:57 am)
4. **Members Absent:** Bill Spence
5. **Alternate Members Absent: 0**
6. **Public in Attendance:**
Mark Decoteau, Alisha Harrington, Tara Bamford (via Zoom), Steve Royer, Irit Levy, Reggie Breeckner, Steve Gaudette, Emily Manns (via Zoom)
Unidentified Zoom Attendees: 0

REVIEW and ACCEPTANCE of MINUTES:

Minutes of the November 10, 2022, Planning Board Meeting

MOTION: “To accept the minutes as amended.”

Motion: N. Knight

Second: J. Recine

Vote: 7 – Yes, 0 – No

Public Comments:

As a member of the Community Power Committee, Alan Berko asked the Planning Board to support a warrant article for community power. He then briefly reviewed the proposed Community Power Program, and Emily Manns from Standard Power answered questions from the Board and members of the public.

MOTION: “The Planning Board supports the warrant article as shown.”

Motion: A. Berko

Second: R. Wilson

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No

Zoning Amendments:

The Planning Board talked about how to define a “concert” because there is no current definition in the zoning ordinance. After discussion, the Board agreed on the definition of a concert as “a music performance with controlled admission in front of a live audience advertised in advance.”

MOTION: “to put forward as a zoning amendment the definition of a concert as; a music performance with controlled admission in front of a live audience advertised in advance.”

Motion: W. Rathgeber

Second: R. Rita

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No.

The Board then briefly reviewed the other proposed zoning amendments and scheduled a Public Hearing to receive public comments on January 11, 2023, at 6 pm in the town hall meeting room.

Master Plan:

Town staff reported that the zoning maps needed to complete the master plan should be completed by the end of next week. T. Bamford suggested adopting the master plan as complete with the understanding that it would not be posted or reproduced until the final version of the maps was complete.

MOTION: “to adopt the 2022 master plan with the understanding that it won’t be reproduced until the final version of the zoning and land use legend is incorporated.”

Motion: N. Knight

Second: R. Rita

Vote: 7-0, 0-No

M. Koppel entered the meeting at 8:57 am.

New Business:**Capital Improvement Plan**

Mark Decoteau reported that he plans to prepare a modified CIP once he gets final decisions on some timing issues and have it ready to discuss at the January 2023 Planning Board meeting.

Change of Use Discussion

M. Decoteau reported that the Select Board plans to propose a building permit/zoning ordinance with requirements that explain when a business needs to come to the Planning Board with a change of use.

NH Housing Grant

The Town of Waterville Valley was approved for a \$50,000 NH Housing Grant to help uncover solutions to housing needs.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Town Core Group

The Town Core Group reported that discussion has continued about how best to delineate the multiuse pathway from vehicular traffic. Currently, the plan is to paint the road with the possibility of signage at major intersections.

Rich Rita exited the meeting at 9:40 am.

Conservation Commission

John Recine reported that the Conservation Commission has continued working with Rick Van de Poll on the ongoing sediment mitigation project. Also, they will discuss the issue of feeding wildlife, mainly ducks, around Corcorans Pond. M. Decoteau stated that the Select Board plans to propose changes to the Wild Animal Ordinance to help with the problem.

Calendar Review

Public Hearing for Zoning Amendments: January 11, 2023, at 6 pm.

Regular Meeting of the Planning Board: January 12, 2023, at 8 am.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: “to adjourn meeting.”

Motion: N. Knight

Second: R. Wilson

Vote: 6 – Yes, 0- No

Respectfully submitted,
Alisha Harrington