

Dalton Planning Board

Minutes of 8/5/20

Present: Carl Lindquist, Terri Parks, Jo Beth Dudley, Steve Ordinetz, Erik Nilsen

On Webex: Gal Potashnick

Meeting Called to Order 7:05pm

Dannis subdivision: Tom Smith was present on webex for the discussion as representative. Erik made a motion to approve, Steve seconded. Subdivision was approved unanimously.

North Country Council member for Dalton: Jon Swan was the only candidate who put their name forward. After some discussion Erik made a motion for Jon to be nominated as Dalton representative, Terri seconded. Nomination was approved (5 for/1 against).

Carl attended last ZBA meeting to answer some of their questions about the draft zoning ordinance

Discussion about special town hearing for zoning and then subsequent voting:

- voting would be all day, like typical election.
- Special town meeting would be to announce results of the vote.
- Cannot combine vote with September primary (too little time) or Nov. general election
- Discussed several options on how to hold the hearing.
 - Must follow best practices for masks/social distancing but also figure out how to have people be able to ask questions and hear the discussion. In person + webex? One idea is to utilize a large tent outside and also many rooms inside. Steve to investigate cost of hiring a company to do the technical work of setting up that audio/video/communication network. Carl to investigate tent rental cost and size.
 - Ask Ron Sheltry (town health officer) if there is any state guidance on events. Gal to check with NHMA and NCC for guidance on events like this during Covid.
 - May still be some Covid related reimbursement money available, end date is not clear.

Discussion on draft zoning:

- Some comments that special exceptions and variance section is confusing-need to rewrite for clarity using RSA 674.33.1 and NHMA doc (5 criteria for variances)
- Finish review of comments submitted by town residents on draft zoning, updates made.

Further questions for town council:

- Recheck ability to have municipal waste district in town (current transfer station + old landfill)
- Move FEMA floodplain info to appendix
- Also send latest draft, suggest webex meeting to review

Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm

Next meeting Weds 8/19/20 at 7pm