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## TOWN OF RUTLAND PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

DATE: January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

LOCATION: Town Hall and a publicly accessible conference line

OPEN MEETING 6:30 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Chair Barbara Pulling, Dana Peterson, Howard Burgess, Andy McKane, Jerry Stearns, Mary Beth Poli, Norm Cohen and Jim Hall. Jim Hall is not a voting member for this meeting.

Members of the Public Participating: Robert Stedman

Approval of the Agenda:

Mr. Cohen moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The first meeting of the year is when the Chair and Vice Chair are elected by the members. Mr. Cohen nominated Barbara Pulling for Chair and Dana Peterson for Vice Chair. Mr. McKane seconded the motion. There were no other nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Rules of procedure will be reviewed at a future meeting for any changes before readopting them

New Business: Boundary Line Adjustment Application – Thistle Hill

1. The applicant, Robert Stedman, was in attendance and gave the Commission a review of the request.
2. Reviewed the proposed boundary line and acreage changes to the parcels. After discussion, the correct acreage changes on the map are:
  - a. Lot D goes from 5.54 acres to 2.64 acres
  - b. Lot 5 goes from 5.81 acres to 6.71 acres
3. Mr. Peterson moved to approve the Boundary Line Adjustment application with the acreage figures noted as discussed. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The correct acreage numbers will need to be shown on the mylar.

A final mylar from the Cluxton Sub Division was received. It is complete and reflects the application. It was signed and sent to be recorded.

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New Business: State Housing Navigator Program

1. The State is working to identify land appropriate to develop housing on, using the local Regional Planning Commissions as a resource.
2. A survey is being sent to residents, Planning Commissions and Select Boards to help identify suitable sites.
3. Discussed the availability of sites and the plan as a whole.
4. More discussion will be had after the survey is finalized.

The developer for the Post Road solar site has filed their petition for a Certificate of Public Good with the State. There are still some challenges with the project which need to be addressed.

Old Business Continued Review of property owners in the River Corridor

1. An updated list of businesses which could be affected was created and grouped by geographic location to help facilitate future meetings and discussions.

Announcements

West Rutland has made available a copy of their draft town plan.

Approval of Minutes November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mr. Peterson moved to approve the minutes. Mr. McKane seconded the motion. After some clerical changes were made, Mr. Peterson moved to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Stearns seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mr. Peterson moved to approve the minutes. Mr. McKane seconded the motion. A quorum of members attending that meeting are not available tonight. The approval will be moved to the next meeting.

Adjournment:

Mr. Cohen moved to adjourn. Mr. Burgess seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:53PM.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Sweet

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Barbara Pulling

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Date

Rutland Town Planning Commission Chair