

Charlemont Planning Board
Meeting Minutes 5/5/16

Members present: Robert Malone, Chair; Carlene Hayden, Gisela Walker

Chair opened meeting at 7.05

No member of the public attended.

No minutes to approve

Malone and Hayden updated Walker on issues that came up during here absence in April: Town Sign, All-Board meeting, SP extension for Bowen cell tower.

Chair opened Public hearing on proposed zoning changes at 7.15pm; no member of the public appeared.

Board reviewed comments and suggestions from town counsel re wording of proposed zoning changes.

Board discussed the best venue for appeals to site plan review conditions: ZBA or Court and if Court, then what Court? Members prefer appeals to Court.

Hayden will ask town counsel for appropriate Court suggestion and Walker will check with Pat Smith from FRCOG.

Town counsel wants us to have a generic definition for solar installation and will provide one asap.

Walker moved, RM 2nd, to accept suggestions for revisions made by town counsel to proposed zoning changes which will require changes to the public hearing version of sections 28.3, 28.6, 28.11 and Definitions. Town counsel's forthcoming definition for solar installation and appropriate appeals court will be included in the changes votes on here. No further discussion; all unanimously in favor. With these changes the town meeting version for the zoning changes is final.

At 8.06 Motion to close the public hearing: Chair moved, Hayden 2nd, no discussion; unanimous. Motion to adjourn as well; see above.

Public meeting continued: There will be one more meeting on Thursday May 19 before town meeting 5/24. Meeting closed.

Documents reviewed: Town counsel email; Zoning documents; Public information sheet to be used at town meeting about zoning changes.

Respectfully submitted by Gisela Walker