

Charlemont Planning Board  
April 29, 2021 Minutes  
Fairgrounds Office

This meeting was duly posted as a working meeting with agenda stating that no public input would be taken.

In attendance were Bob Nelson, Chair; Bill Harker, Carlene Hayden, Gisela Walker and Dan Miller, Associate member.

First item of business was to assign all the pending tasks before the Board to the summer calendar to manage the considerable workload of the Board.

The result is the attached table with upcoming meetings, hearings and site visits. This will carry us right into mid summer.

Next item was to go over all the pending zoning amendments submitted as draft to the Board by Peggy Sloan, FCOG Planning Director.

These are:

Changes to the Use Table specifying livestock and small farm animals ;

Allowing farm stands in the Village with site plan review;

Changes to the section on Backlot Development;

Putting on hold changes to the Floodplain Bylaw;

A discussion about the option to cap the size of solar fields in the Rte. 2 District and

Tabling until a further meeting with Jon Mirin the changes in our celltower bylaw addressing 5G antennae.

The Board will schedule a meeting with P. Sloan to let her know what we decided on the amendments.

We learned that town meeting has been scheduled for June 15 and that most likely our zoning amendments will not be on that warrant.

There was a short discussion about our second minute-taker staff having stepped down and what staff support the Planning Board needs and soon.

Members voted to approve and signed off on the minutes from January 21, 2021, February 4, 2021, February 25, 2021 & March 18, 2021.

There was a short discussion on when the upgrades of Potter Rd Extension will be ready to be approved by us; and a short clarification of the old special permit from the 80's to Norman Tatro; he has passed away and his business is inactive but someone should re-plant the screening pines that have fallen over.

It was good to meet in person and have time for business without interruptions.

Submitted by Gisela Walker

**Document Reviewed**

Minutes from January 21, 2021, February 4, 2021, February 25, 2021 & March 18, 2021 meetings  
Planning Board Spring/Summer schedule  
Zoning Amendments as submitted by P. Sloan on April 12 via email