

Planning Commission
Town of Weston
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Weston, VT 05161-0098
Minutes of Meeting, January 9, 2023

Present: James Young, Annie Fuji'i, Geof Brown, and Kim Price

The following items are on the agenda:

1. Additions/Changes to the Agenda
2. Approve Minutes
3. DRB Zoning Request Update
4. Pedestrian Safety Project Update
5. Review of PC 2023 Budget and 2022 Report
6. Review of Next Steps Post Submission of MPG Application
7. New and Old business
8. Adjourn

James Young declares a PC quorum and calls the meeting to order at 6:08pm

1. Additions/Changes to the Agenda.
None.

2. Approve minutes.

James Young motions to approve the November 2022 and December 2022 Draft meeting minutes. Geof Brown Seconded the motion. *Motion passes unanimously.*

3. DRB Zoning Request Update.

James Young motions, the PC hereby agree, that we, the Weston Planning Commission Members, will pursue adoption of,

- 1: a waiver, and;
- 2: uses not provided for,

amendment(s) to the Weston Zoning Bylaws. Geof Brown seconded the motion. *Motion passes unanimously.*

James Young motions, the PC retain and enter into contract with, Matthew Bachler, AICP, Senior Planner, Windham Regional Commission; for professional assistance with the DRB requested amendments. Geof Brown seconded the motion. *Motion passes unanimously.*

4. Pedestrian Safety Project Update.

Geof Brown provided an update on the Pedestrian Safety Project.

1. The subcommittee is currently seeking support from all landowners to proceed with the project only on the southern portion of Rt 100- alternative S3. This includes a sidewalk running from The Weston, down to the Christmas Shoppe, with a sidewalk across the street and the sidewalk continuing in front of VCS to the West Town Gallery. So far, all landowners contacted have provided support.
2. Concurrently, the subcommittee has submitted to the select board an article to vote on at town meeting.
3. In conjunction with that vote, the town will also be acknowledging that winter maintenance will be required by the town. PC members support the approach to the sidewalk, but expressed concern on having the town being required to maintain it. Geof indicated that the subcommittee is aware of that concern and that is why it needs to be part of the consideration for the town to vote on.

5. Review of PC 2023 Budget and 2022 Report.

Annie Fuji'i is working on a portion of the PC budget with the PC subcommittee, who is hearing the Lindgren Subdivision. Funds for an engineer and legal fees to finish the project are being fine-tuned.

The PC is also waiting on the MPG, to update the Town Plan, and will need to budget funds for professional assistance, if the grant is not awarded to the town. PC budget will be complete by the next regularly scheduled PC meeting.

6. Review of Next Steps Post Submission of MPG Application.

Status of the MPG, for updating the Weston Town Plan, is still unknown. 2023 grant awards, from the state, have not been announced but will be forthcoming shortly.

7. New and Old Business.

None.

8. Adjourn.

James Young motions to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 pm. Geof Brown seconded the motion. *Motion passes unanimously.*

Approved:  James Young, Chair

Date 6/27/23

Submitted:  Kim Price, Secretary

Date 6/27/23