

**Planning Board Minutes
May 25, 2022
Virtual Meeting**

Board members present: George Oleen, Ken Smith, Sari Hoy, Robbie Cooper
Members Absent: Caitlin McNeill

Others present: Betsy Garcia

George called the meeting to order at 7:00.

1. ANR Requests – None
2. Approval of minutes – Robbie made a motion that we accept the 5/11 minutes as presented. Ken seconded. Motion carried 4-0.
3. Review/possible adoption of the modified deliberation guide – No discussion tonight. Waiting to hear back from the selectboard and town counsel's response.
4. Update on the Community Residences Bylaw – George mentioned that June 8th would be the date of the public hearing.
5. Discussion on Dark Skies Bylaw – George asked if Ken had a chance to read through it. Ken said that he read through a lot of the material. He highlighted the fact that the CFL's were used in some of the bylaws that he saw which seemed like a dated concept seeing as LED has been more of the norm. Ken mentioned that in the town of Plymouth he saw a mention of gas lights being considered acceptable which was surprising to see. Ken said the bylaws that the board should be paying attention to is Northampton and New Marlborough and focus on those two and the board can draft from there.
6. Review mail – No mail.
7. Board member items – Ken brought up how having board meeting packets should always be scanned rather than hard copies be picked up at town hall because its much easier. Robbie brought up how he heard that the town of Sandisfield passed a cannabis bylaw. Some conversation occurred between the board regarding the upcoming joint meeting with the Selectboard.
8. Public comment – none.

Robbie made a motion to adjourn. Sari seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting ended at 7:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Robbie Cooper