

Town of Franklin



Planning Board

**January 25, 2021
Meeting Minutes**

Chair Anthony Padula called the above-captioned **Remote Access Virtual Zoom Meeting** to order this date at 7:00 PM. Members in attendance: Joseph Halligan, William David, Gregory Rondeau, Rick Power, associate member Jennifer Williams. Members absent: None. Also present: Michael Maglio, Town Engineer; Amy Love, Planner.

*As stated on the agenda, due to the continued concerns regarding the COVID-19 virus, the Planning Board will conduct a **Remote Access Virtual Zoom Meeting**. The Massachusetts State of Emergency and the associated state legislation allows towns to hold remote access virtual meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis. In an effort to ensure citizen engagement and comply with open meeting law regulations, citizens will be able to dial into the meeting using the provided phone number, or citizens can participate by using the Zoom link also provided on the agenda.*

7:00 PM Commencement/General Business

Chair Padula read aloud the Zoom platform call-in phone number and the Zoom link which were also provided on the meeting agenda.

A. Bond Reduction: Maple Preserve

Ms. Love reviewed that the current bond is held in a Tripartite Agreement with the Town of Franklin in the amount of \$10,000.00 for Maple Preserve. The Planning Board recommended street acceptance to the Town Council at their December 21, 2020 meeting. The applicant has requested a bond reduction. The DPCD recommends the bond be reduced from \$10,000 to \$1,000. After Town Council acceptance and filing with the registry, the remaining \$1,000 will be released.

Mr. Maglio stated everything looks okay; they have the mylars. He suggested it may come before the Town Council in February or March. He recommended holding back \$1,000.

Motion to Approve Bond Reduction for Maple Preserve to hold \$1,000.00. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

B. Endorsement: Maple Hill

Chair Padula read aloud Ms. Love's letter to the Planning Board dated January 21, 2021, stating that the applicant submitted plans for endorsement, the appeal period has ended and no appeals have been filed, and DPCD recommends endorsing the Definitive Subdivision Plans for Maple Hill. Ms. Love noted that the Certificate of Vote was included on page 40 of the plans along with the conditions and phasing plan. Chair Padula requested that a note be put on the first page of the plans that the conditions are listed on page 40.

Motion to Endorse Maple Hill. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

Ms. Love noted that 46 pages of mylars must be signed; she reviewed arrangements made for Planning Board members to sign the documents.

C. Discussion: CPC Nomination

Chair Padula reviewed a letter from Town Administrator Jamie Hellen to the Planning Board dated January 7, 2021, stating the requirements for five boards and committees, including the Planning Board, to designate a member to the Community Preservation Committee with a one-year term. He stated that Joseph Halligan and Rick Power requested to be nominated for the CPC; he noted that Mr. Halligan requested the nomination first.

Vote to Nominate Joseph Halligan for CPC. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES; Williams-YES. Vote: 6-0-0 (6-Yes; 0-No).

Ms. Love stated the names of the nominees from each board and committee will be sent to the Town Council for a ratification vote.

E. Meeting Minutes: December 7 & 21, 2020, January 11, 2021

Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes for December 7, 2020. Rondeau. Second: Power. Discussion: Chair Padula noted changes. Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes for December 7, 2020, as amended. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes for December 21, 2020. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

Motion to Approve the Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2021. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

7:05 PM **PUBLIC HEARING** – Continued
 138 East Central Street
 Site Plan
 Documents presented to the Planning Board are on file.
 To Be Continued

Chair Padula stated the applicant requested a continuance of the public hearing.

Motion to Continue the public hearing for 138 East Central Street, Site Plan, to February 8, 2021, at 7:10 PM. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-ABSTAIN; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 4-0-1 (4-Yes; 0-No; 1-Abstain).

7:10 PM **PUBLIC HEARING** – Continued
 515 West Central Street
 Site Plan
 Documents presented to the Planning Board are on file.
 To Be Continued

Chair Padula stated the applicant requested a continuance of the public hearing.

Motion to Continue the public hearing for 515 West Central Street, Site Plan, to February 8, 2021. Rondeau. Second: David. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No).

Motion to Adjourn the Remote Access Virtual Zoom Planning Board Meeting. Rondeau. Second: Power. Roll Call Vote: Padula-YES; Halligan-YES; David-YES; Rondeau-YES; Power-YES. Vote: 5-0-0 (5-Yes; 0-No). Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Lizardi,
Recording Secretary

******Planning Board voted on March 8, 2021 to accept the meeting minutes.***