

# **Final Minutes**

**Canterbury Planning Board, March 23, 2021**

**at the Meeting House and via GoToMeeting**

## **Present at the Meeting House**

Kent Ruesswick, Joshua Gordon, Cheryl Gordon (BOS rep) Anne Dowling, Greg Meeh, Lucy Nichols

## **Attending remotely on GoToMeeting (link on website)**

Scott Doherty (via audio only)

## **Guests**

Tyson Miller (former Chair) and Hillary Nelson (former member)

## **Agenda**

### **1. Minutes of February 9, 2021**

Cheryl moved to accept the minutes. There were no comments. All were in favor of accepting the minutes.

### **2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Members conducted a secret ballot. Scott Doherty nominated Kent Ruesswick for Chair. Joshua Gordon seconded. Kent Ruesswick nominated Scott Doherty for Vice Chair. Both made a few brief remarks. There were five votes from members present for each.

### **3. Thanks for service to Tyson Miller and Hillary Nelson**

Former Chair Tyson Miller was thanked for his 15 years of service to the Town and Hillary Nelson was thanked for her 6 years on the Board. They were given handmade brushes from Kent and a basket of bulbs on behalf of all members.

### **4. Plan for Tomorrow future work**

There is \$8000 in the Budget for this. A little over \$3000 was spent last year. Kent had asked Hillary to stay involved in the project. Hillary has agreed to do that, most likely as an alternate member rather than as a volunteer. She asked if a current member of the Board would take it on as lead person. There was discussion of the issues involved in picking up this work during the ongoing pandemic. Scott felt that it would be fall before the state might be moving on from Covid. It might be possible to meet outside or in a larger venue like the Town Hall. Lucy expressed interest in the work but could not take it up until November 1 when the tourist season will be over.

36 There was consensus that some aspects of the Plan could be worked on in the intervening  
37 months, liaising with Mike Tardiff and the NH Central Regional Planning Commission. Tyson  
38 and Hillary noted that the parts relating to demographics, transport, and the collation of  
39 the surveys could still go ahead. Tyson pointed out the document was not a complete  
40 reworking but a modification of the earlier Masterplan. This is available on the Planning  
41 Board page of the Town website. He suggested Kent speak with Ken Folsom and then Mike  
42 Tardiff. The Board were going to try to work on compilation of the survey results, liaise with  
43 Central Regional Planning, and get in touch with other towns during the upcoming months.

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45 There was discussion about having Hillary sworn in as an alternate for this work. Tyson  
46 confirmed that the Board could appoint such an alternate and she would just need to get  
47 sworn in by Sam Papps, Town Clerk. (Kent spoke to Sam next day and established that town  
48 boards can indeed appoint their own alternates for projects like this).

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50 Other business?

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52 (i) Tyson asked if anyone might be attending the next ZBA meeting, which was for a  
53 special exception application from Chance Anderson for Tiny Cabins on his  
54 campsite. The hearing will be on Wednesday April 7.  
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56 (ii) Joshua asked about other possible projects the Board could take up during this year.  
57 Kent mentioned they had started on the Table of Uses. Tyson had noticed some  
58 contradictions in the Table (ex. Storage units in commercial zones). Joshua would be  
59 in touch with Tyson to ask about those contradictions.  
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61 (iii) Greg Meeh asked about wetlands setback – was that included anywhere? He would  
62 look into that, talk to the CCC, see what other towns had to offer, and what the  
63 State regulations were.  
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65 (iv) Lucy mentioned permeable and impermeable as an issue to revisit.  
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67 (v) Binders for Planning Board members – Hillary had a binder with tabs that she had  
68 used as a member. New members needed one and others also asked about having  
69 up to date information files and then digital versions too. Lois as secretary will  
70 follow up with the Town Office to see what exists and what can be compiled. Lois  
71 was also asked to send every member the NH Planning Board Handbook that Tyson  
72 had forwarded. And to find out why the remote camera did not work with the  
73 laptop this evening.

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75 Joshua made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Cheryl, at 7:45 pm.  
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77       Next meeting: Tuesday April 13, 7 pm, Meeting House or remotely via GoToMeeting.

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79       Respectfully submitted,

80       Lois Scribner, secretary.