

Town of Bennington

Planning Board

Minutes of the Work Session - February 23, 2009

Present: Jeffrey Rose, Chairman
Melissa Stewart
Barry White

Chairman Rose called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Barry White informed the Board that Josh Bond from the *Monadnock-Ledger* had contacted him regarding workforce housing. The Board decided to send a copy of the definitions of the articles that was to appear in the Bennington Voters Guide to Josh.

The Board reviewed the Meeting Notice/Agenda for the March 9, 2009 meeting. Melissa Stewart has offered to type the Meeting Notice/ Agenda and will send it via email to be posted at the Town Hall and Library.

Barry White updated the Board of the recent Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting regarding the Stockwell hearing. There will be a site walk on March 3, 2009 at 3 p.m. Barry told the Board that it looked like the ZBA may refer Mr. Stockwell to the Planning Board for a subdivision and that it would be good for the Planning Board to become familiar with the case. Barry White later realized an error in the date of the site walk. The correct date is March 7, 2009.

The Planning Board looked at where to start on the Public Guide Flow Chart as a tool for residents. The Board felt the appropriate place to start would be to look at what types of things they do the most. The Board has chosen to go through their current Site Plan Checklist and use it to make checklists that are specific to the needs and requirements appropriate to specific applications. The Board will work on a Home-Based application and a Lot-Line Adjustment application in following work sessions. In regards to the Home-Based application the Board feels that Section VII General Standards and Requirements of the Site Plan Review Regulations may be appropriate to use.

The Board asked that minutes from January 26, 2009 and February 9, 2009 be provided as soon as possible.

There being no further business, Barry White made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Karen Bartlett

Planning Board Secretary