

Town of North Canaan
Planning and Zoning Board
November 14, 2022
Regular Meeting

Present: Chairman Tim Abbott, Peter Brown, Doug Humes, Mike O'Connor, Dalton Jacquier, ZEO George Martin

Alternate Cooper Brown – not seated as quorum established

Chairman Abbott called the meeting to order at 7:01pm

Chairman Abbott asked the board if they would agree to move item #7 from January meeting to next month's meeting. **Mr. Brown made a motion to move the #7 agenda item from January's meeting to December's meeting. Mr. O'Connor seconded the motion. Motion was approved.**

Chairman Abbott gave brief opening remarks.

Mr. Humes made a motion to approve the October minutes. Mr. Brown seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

ZEO Report – George Martin, ZEO – sent out report prior to the meeting. In addition to that there were a couple of things processed today and will report on them next month. There was a discussion of the ZEO certification classes. The Board will be required to complete 4 hours of trainings as well which will need to be documented and shared with the Selectmen and the ZEO. There was not a lot of aquafer protection information during the recent trainings. Mr. O'Connor took online course for this 2 years ago. There was a discussion of the town hall maps which include the aquafer protection area.

Old Business:

There will be a cannabis workshop next month to hear the public and consider what regulations we may wish to incorporate depending on what the residents would like. Want to have a lot of the public here for that workshop. The Chairman has requested maps showing buffers for such areas as schools, churches and other areas as dictated by the state. Mr. O'Connor would like to see the same buffer area that is enforced by the State school zone distribution areas. The 8-month moratorium is expiring in February. There was a discussion of public hearings and meetings.

New Business:

Next month we need to have election of officers and set meeting dates for the upcoming year.

Other business:

Discussion of filling the alternate position. There were letters of interest sent to selectmen. It must be a democrat that fills the position. Chairman Abbott went to the democratic meeting in October and gave them the criteria he would like to see in the qualified candidate. Currently the board has 2 alternates which is fine.

Public comments: Sue Boults - Church Street –read into record an email she sent to ZEO Martin requesting information pertaining to the issues at 127/129 Church Street and looking for next steps. The Chairman stated she would give her next steps after the meeting.

Mr. Humes made a motion to adjourn. Mr. brown seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ayrslea A Odell

Recording Secretary