

Kingston Planning Board

June 9, 2020

Meeting

The Planning Board met at 6:30 as a test run for their upcoming Zoom hearing scheduled for June 16, 2020. This meeting was held remotely with all participants using the Zoom platform.

A role call vote was taken with the following members present:

Glenn Coppelman (GC), Chair

Peter Coffin (PC), Vice Chair

Lynne Merrill (LM)

Chris Bashaw (CB)

Robin Duguay (RD)

Ellen Faulconer (EF), alternate

Richard Wilson (RW), BOS rep.

Peter Bakie (PB)(present, but without microphone or video, responding by text)

All members noted that there was no one else in the room with them during the meeting.

Also attending: Dennis Quintal, Town Engineer; Glenn Greenwood, Planner, joined the meeting in progress.

Mr. Coppelman explained that this “test meeting” was simply for the Board to utilize the Zoom platform to be comfortable with the process prior to the Board’s first “Zoom” hearing. He reviewed how the hearing would work based on the guidelines and right-to-know laws and guidance. Mr. Quintal reviewed the process for his comments; his comments will be sent to the PB office and forwarded to the Board members by email. The Board confirmed that Board elections would take place at the end of the hearing on the 16th. Ms. Merrill asked what impact any future changes in the Governor’s Executive Orders regarding group size would have on the upcoming hearings. Mr. Coppelman suggested the Board make those decisions pending any changes in the requirements. Ms. Faulconer explained the steps taken to inform the public about the upcoming hearings that included re-sending notices to abutters with the information to join the zoom hearings; notices, information and plan availability on the Town’s web site. Mr. Bashaw suggested that the Board identify themselves when speaking during the hearings so those without video access will know who is speaking. Mr. Coppelman said that would be a good idea. Mr. Greenwood explained that he would be the “host” of the hearing and, in effect, be the “gatekeeper” for the hearing.

MM&S to adjourn at 7:14. (Motion by Mr. Wilson, second by Mr. Bashaw)

Role Call Vote on the motion:

GC: Yes

PC: Yes

LM: Yes

CB: Yes

RW: Yes

RD: Yes

PB: Yes (by text)

Motion Passed Unanimously (PUNA)