

TOWN OF LYNDON
PLANNING COMMISSION
March 27, 2019 Meeting Minutes
Approved 4/10/19

Planning Commissioners: Sean McFeeley, Sylvia Dodge, Evan Carlson, Susan Hanus, Ken Mason, Tammy Martel

Public Official(s): Annie McLean

Press: None

Public: Mark Bean, Joe Buzzi, Curtis Carpenter, John Gould, Emily Irwin, Keith Johnson

Sean McFeeley chaired the meeting, which was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Sean McFeeley welcomed new Planning Commission Member Ken Mason and sitting Planning Commission Members introduced themselves.

Sylvia Dodge made a **motion to appoint Sean McFeeley to serve as Planning Commission Chair for 2019**. Evan Carlson **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 6-0**. Evan Carlson made a **motion to appoint Sylvia Dodge to serve as Planning Commission Vice-Chair for 2019**. Tammy Martel **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 6-0**.

Sean McFeeley made a **motion to approve the minutes of March 13, 2019**. Tammy Martel **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 6-0**.

Annie McLean updated the Commission on the response rate (67 responses thus far) for the Envision Lyndon Community Vision Survey and reviewed ongoing promotion efforts. The Commission discussed additional outreach strategies for both the Survey and the Envision Lyndon process and at Evan Carlson's suggestion agreed to close the survey on June 1, 2019. Ms. McLean reviewed the timeline for Plan adoption, noting that a complete draft plan needed to be ready by the beginning of September. Ms. McLean also reviewed the tentative topic areas the Plan would address and the Commission discussed how public Plan development workshops would be incorporated into the summer meeting schedule. Sean McFeeley suggested that a draft schedule be developed and publicized as soon as possible in order to solicit maximum community involvement.

The Commission discussed the continued development of a public educational seminar on the Article XI Flood Hazard Regulations, which has been requested by the Selectboard. Annie McLean noted that a draft presentation along with a one-page overview on the regulations were still in progress. It was agreed that the seminar should be held in conjunction with the Town Plan Development Workshop on Flood Resilience. The Commission agreed that the State National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Coordinator at the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources should be present at the seminar, schedule permitting. Ms. McLean will develop outreach materials for the Article XI Flood Hazard Regulations seminar (date TBD) along with the Town Plan Development Workshop schedule. The Commission tentatively anticipates hosting the Article XI Flood Hazard Regulation Seminar and the Town Plan Flood Resilience Development Workshop in early June.

Evan Carlson updated the Commission on the status of the Economic Development Committee's Broadband project. Sylvia Dodge shared information about the Preservation Trust for Vermont's Communities Supported Enterprises Grant in relation to the Shores Museum (which has recently been added to the State Register of Historic Places thanks to Sylvia's hard work!!!) and agreed to pass along the grant information to the Upright Steeple Society and H.O.P.E. as both entities may have an interest in applying. Annie McLean notified the Commission about an upcoming workshop at Northeastern Vermont Development Association (NVDA) on Opportunity Zone Funding.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for April 10th at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.