

**TOWN OF LYNDON**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**May 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes**  
*Approved 6/10/20*

**Planning Commissioners:** Sean McFeeley, Sylvia Dodge, Nancy Blankenship, Emily Finnegan, Susan Hanus, Ken Mason, Tammy Martel

**Other Public Official(s):** Annie McLean

**Press:**

**Public:** Niki Bieglow, Joe Buzzi, Mark Bean

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

Sean McFeeley welcomed new Planning Commission Member Nancy Blankenship and sitting Planning Commission Members introduced themselves.

Sylvia Dodge made a **motion to appoint Sean McFeeley to serve as Planning Commission Chair for 2020**. Ken Mason **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 7-0**. Tammy Martel made a **motion to appoint Sylvia Dodge to serve as Planning Commission Vice-Chair for 2020**. Ken Mason **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 7-0**.

Ken Mason made a **motion to approve the minutes of March 11, 2020**. Sean McFeeley **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 7-0**.

The Commission reviewed draft rules of procedure. Planning Commission Rules of Procedure and made changes. Susan Hanus made a **motion to adopt the Lyndon Planning Rules of Procedure**. Sean McFeeley **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 7-0**.

Ken Mason gave a brief update of the work being done by the Flood Hazard Regulations Work Group.

The Commission discussed Town support of the Northern Vermont University (NVU) Lyndon Campus and rezoning the surrounding areas to allow complimentary commercial uses. It was suggested that the Planning Commission invite school officials to talk through potential ideas. There was discussion about connectivity between the campus and Town (trail system, sidewalk, shuttle system), making facilities more accessible to the public, financial constraints and State funding for colleges, contingency planning for a “worst case scenario”, and making the community more desirable to help increase enrolment. It was note that some f these changes would benefit Lyndon Institute as well. Sean McFeeley will reach out to the NVU Strong Committee.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for May 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by: AMclean*