

TOWN OF LYNDON
PLANNING COMMISSION
June 10, 2020 Meeting Minutes
Approved 7/8/20

Planning Commissioners: Sean McFeeley, Nancy Blankenship, Emily Finnegan, Susan Hanus, Ken Mason, Tammy Martel (6:38 p.m.)

Public Official(s): Annie McLean

Press: None

Public: None

Sean McFeeley chaired the meeting, which was called to order at 6:03 p.m.

Ken Mason made a **motion to approve the minutes of May 13, 2020**. Susan Hanus **seconded the motion**. The Commission **voted 5-0**.

The Commission discussed Town support of the Northern Vermont University (NVU) Lyndon Campus through zoning including creating a campus zoning district around NVU and Lyndon Institute (LI) that could both encourage businesses compatible with the schools and also allow for adaptive reuse of campus facilities if the college should eventually close. Additional discussion concerning the impact of Kingdom Trails on the economy followed.

The Commission discussed past work to update the allowed uses in each zoning district and potential district boundary changes. Annie McLean will share this information with the Commission before the next meeting.

Annie McLean shared that the Selectboard position on delaying Municipal Plan public hearings until they could be held in person has not changed. Discussion followed. Ken Mason noted that changes to the Flood Hazard Regulations could not be made until the Town had adopted the new Municipal Plan. The Commission discussed making a recommendation to the Selectboard to hold the Municipal Plan public hearings remotely via Zoom as it was becoming increasingly unclear when the Town would have the ability to hold an in person public hearing. All commission members present, except for Nancy Blankenship were in favor of making this recommendation. Annie McLean will draft a letter to the Selectboard for review at the next Planning Commission meeting.

The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for June 24, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: AMclean