

Minutes of the Planning Board, Town of Westhampton

Meeting Date: April 12th, 2022.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM.

Members present: Susan Bronstein (Chair), Maureen Dempsey, John Zimmerman;
Pat Coffey joined in later.

March Minutes were read;

MOTION: approval moved and passed unan.

New lot and proposed building construction partial site plan and partial survey presented by Chuck Conner for Lot 2, for final approval of property to be known as #8 Blueberry Hills Drive.

MOTION: Maureen D. moved to approve, seconded by John Z.; passed unan.

Request has been made for the grazing of sheep under the commercial PV Solar array (farm) owned and operated by CVD on the property at #27 Montague Road. Discussion on the grazing of sheep under a commercial PV Solar array to meet the "Mowing" requirement of the Zoning Regulations. It was agreed that such grazing meets the requirements of "mowing" and is also a desirable "green" alternative.

MOTION: That the use of managed sheep grazing under the PV solar installation at 27 Montague Road be approved as an acceptable form of mowing to meet the requirements of the Zoning Regulations and contracts with the managing owners of that installation.

Moved by John Z., seconded by Maureen D.; passed unan.

Report on the ongoing work of the Zoning Bylaw Review Committee by Pat Coffey:

The Committee has re-written the entire "Non-Conforming" Section of the Zoning Bylaws, and is continuing to work on the Zoning Enforcement and Special Permits Sections, and the process for Special Permitting with Site Plan Review. Also under review are potential conflicts between requirements as delineated in Chapter 40 and Chapter 40A.

Discussion was had on the Nominations for the Planning Board for the coming Annual Town Elections. Nominated are Jennifer Milikowsky, Wade Clement, and John Zimmerman, and an Associate Member to be appointed later by the Select Board.

It was noted that there will be a meeting of the Zoning Bylaw Review Committee, via Zoom, on Wednesday, April 13th, at 7:00 PM. The Zoning Bylaw Review Committee is working to wrap up their work and to eventually present their finished product to the Planning Board for approval, at which point the approved product will go to a Public Hearing.

MOTION: To adjourn, moved and passed unan.

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.