

**Planning Board
Lakeville, Massachusetts
Minutes of Meeting
July 23, 2020
Remote meeting**

On July 23, 2020, the Planning Board held a remote meeting. It was called to order by Chairman Knox at 7:00. Ms. Murray, recording secretary, was audio recording. LakeCam was recording, and it was streaming on Facebook Live.

Members present:

Mark Knox, Chair; Barbara Mancovsky, Vice-Chair; Peter Conroy, Michele MacEachern

Also present:

Mallory Reis, 35 Cross Street; Kevin Fredette, Dave Morrissey, 37 Cross Street

Agenda item #1

Mr. Knox read this item into the record. It was an explanation of the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law related to the 2020 novel Coronavirus outbreak emergency which was why the Board was meeting remotely.

PUBLIC HEARING: Bella Way-39 Cross Street and part of 5 Harding Street - continued

Mr. Knox stated this Public Hearing had been continued from their last meeting. He advised the applicant has requested this hearing be continued until their next scheduled meeting which is August 13, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. He would entertain that motion.

Ms. Mancovsky made the motion, seconded by Mr. Conroy, to continue the Public Hearing for Bella Way-39 Cross Street and part of 5 Harding Street until August 13, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

Mr. Morrissey asked if the plans were currently under peer review and if Mr. Knox was able to disclose the engineer. Mr. Knox said they were being reviewed by HML Associates.

The hearing closed at 7:04.

Discuss and vote to designate a member to work with the Town Clerk, Town Administrator, and Building Commissioner on the codification of the Town's By-Law

Mr. Knox explained the Town Clerk has a contractor they have hired to help with this project. He believed that questions would be emailed among the parties involved. They would like a Planning Board member to take part in this. He did not believe this was an official committee with meetings but rather would be taken care of through email contact. Ms. Mancovsky said she had attended the meeting regarding this project today. She was happy for someone else to step in if they would like to. It sounds like a reasonable time commitment, not huge, but probably taking place over the next several months. The idea is to have a thorough review of their bylaws and make sure they are consistent with State law and bring to attention any inconsistencies.

Mr. Knox asked Ms. Mancovsky what her sense had been in regards to meetings. She replied they were in the beginning stages of an 18-month process. The documents they are going to be sending over next will probably be some of the most important ones they will see. After that, they will be working on the actual bylaws, and they will receive feedback both from an editorial and legal standpoint.

Ms. MacEachern said it sounded like Ms. Mancovsky would be a great option for this but she did not mind offering her time as well. Mr. Knox said it sounded like Ms. Mancovsky did not have the time available for this commitment. He noted that there is quite a bit of work being the Chair as well as the 43D Committee commitment so he would like to see either Ms. MacEachern or Mr. Conroy step in on this one. Mr. Conroy said if it was night meetings he would be happy to, but he would not be able to if it was during the day. He said that if Ms. MacEachern was willing to step in he did not mind being a backup. Ms. Mancovsky said she did not know what the routine would be but the consultant did work during business hours. She got the sense that most of the work would be done via email.

Mr. Knox asked Ms. MacEachern if she had interest in this. She replied that she did. Right now, she did have the time and flexibility but she could not say if that would change. Ms. Mancovsky said that if that did change, it could be passed on to her as this was an eighteen-month commitment. Mr. Conroy said if the meetings were at night or by email they could work on this as a team rather than as an individual. Ms. Mancovsky agreed. Mr. Knox suggested that updates be placed on the agenda periodically.

Mr. Knox then made a motion to appoint Ms. MacEachern to be the designated member to work on the re-codification process. Ms. Mancovsky amended the motion to include a written correspondence from the Planning Board to the Board of Selectmen to advise them of their appointment. Mr. Knox seconded the amended motion.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

Approve meeting minutes

Ms. Mancovsky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Knox, to approve the Meeting Minutes from July 9, 2020.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

New Business-Approve SouthCoast Media bill

Mr. Conroy made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mancovsky to approve the SouthCoast Media bill in the amount of \$175.52.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

Old Business-Discuss and approve Master Plan

Ms. Mancovsky noted that twenty years ago she served on the original Master Plan Committee, and she finds that much of it is a repeat of what was requested then. When talking about the implementation of the action items that are indicated on this report, she would really like to get serious and get some of these projects done. She felt some of these items really needed to be addressed. Mr. Conroy agreed and said the best way to get some of the items done would be to just add them to the agenda as a headline item. He recommended starting after the August break.

Ms. MacEachern also agreed. She advised she had put the information into a spread sheet if anyone had the chance to take a look at it. It was broken down by goal year with a column at the end for an agenda date. She would like to adopt it as a working document. Mr. Knox said he thought it was good but from a Town planning standpoint it is very difficult to implement a specific item where they were not the developer. He noted that some of the comments had been more affordable housing for 55+ but how could they act on that if they were not the developer? Ms. Mancovsky said that would have to be part of the Master Plan conversation. She noted the item that consistently comes up on Town surveys is the desire to maintain the Town's rural character.

Mr. Knox said that really sums it up. He thought they all like the Master Plan and want to approve it but the implementation of it needs to be on their agenda. He would recommend that be done on a monthly basis.

Mr. Knox made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mancovsky, to approve and endorse the Master Plan, dated July 2020 and entitled *Lakeville 2030 A Plan for the Future*.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

Old Business-Additional

Ms. Murray advised the revised plans for Bella Way were available to be picked up. The Plan for Long Point had also been dropped off and edited so that it included a signature block so members could sign it at their convenience.

Regarding the PAA, there will be a brief meeting before their Planning Board meeting to ratify their vote.

Mr. Conroy asked when they were in getting a fifth member for the Board. Mr. Knox replied the Selectmen had received four letters of interest and to help in the process they had requested resumes from all four interested individuals. He had not heard if those had been received.

Ms. Mancovsky wanted to quickly update the members regarding SRPEDD. She advised there were funds available for businesses that were struggling. SRPEDD was allocated \$400,000 in grant money to help with economic development programs. She also noted they had a presentation from the Cannabis Control Commission (CCC). She believed the website was <https://cccmass.com> but she would check the minutes.

Next meeting

Mr. Knox advised the next meeting is scheduled for August 13, 2020.

Adjourn

Ms. Mancovsky made a motion, seconded by Mr. Conroy to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Ms. Mancovsky-Aye, Mr. Conroy-Aye, Ms. MacEachern-Aye, Mr. Knox-Aye

Meeting adjourned at 7:33.