

TOWN OF BENNINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD  
Minutes of the Meeting- June 10, 2019  
Minutes accepted on August 12, 2019

Present        David McKenzie, Chairman  
                  Sam Cohen, Vice Chairman  
                  Donald Trow  
                  Luke Hardwick

Guest         Alex Mason

Planning Board Chairman McKenzie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the April 8, 2019 meeting were reviewed and accepted as written.

The minutes of the May 13, 2019 meeting were reviewed and Donald Trow made a motion to accept the minutes with a minor correction. Luke Hardwick seconded the motion and all were in favor.

The board held a short discussion on the examples of buildable back lots. Dennis McKenney and John Cronin will be asked to attend a Planning Board meeting to explain the intent of the back lot ordinance as they were a part of the board who wrote the ordinance.

Chairman McKenzie reported that Administrator LaPlante called him about a house on Switzer Road that had been torn down. The owner would now like to build a house on the lot. This is a class 6 road and the property owner would need the Selectmen's permission with advice from the Planning Board.

Chairman McKenzie noted that a chat session had been scheduled for 7:15 p.m. The individual did not show up.

In other business, the board discussed the differences in the ordinances for guest house and accessory units. There are noted differences in the ordinances such as limited square footage. Sam Cohen will write a proposal to clean up the differences. It was also suggested that the Planning Board allow detached accessory units and do away with guest cottages.

Sam Cohen proposed that the table of contents of the Zoning Ordinance be organized for easier use. Chairman McKenzie will ask Administrator LaPlante to supply an editable copy of the Zoning Ordinance to Sam Cohen.

As there was no other business at hand, Donald Trow made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Luke Hardwick seconded the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Debra Belcher  
Planning Board Recording Secretary