

JAMAICA PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
August 20, 2018

Present: Chris Robbins, Bryan Zieroff, Lisa Mann

Public Present: Joel Bluming

1. Meeting call to order: Chris (acting chair with Rebecca's absence) called the meeting to order at 07:06 pm.
2. Additions to the agenda: One correction, the property purchased by the Nature Conservancy is located on Turkey Mountain and not Turkey Mountain Road.
3. Approve minutes: re-scheduled regular Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2018 - moved by Chris, seconded by Lisa, approved unanimously.
4. Mail: Access to Town Hall was not available and mail status was not reviewed.
5. Energy update: Lisa was told she would be getting a lap top to utilize town GIS software, but the acquisition of such is part of a larger process and no timetable was provided. Preparation of the final energy plan maps is on hold until the laptop is acquired.
6. Municipal Planning Grant for 2019: Grant provides money to gain access to legal advice and interaction with other consultants/professionals to provide for better understanding of goals/objectives, and the best way to communication with the town. Grant application is due October 1, 2018. Rebecca has committed to a webinar to start the application process. For grant approval, Jamaica needs agenda, and update of the Flood Mitigation Plan is the leading candidate. Bryan searched town records and found flood regulations and the Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan, but needs to go to Lou Brusso to obtain the specific document and the upgrade requirements.
7. Update on sign ordinance work: The first draft of the sign ordinance plan has been prepared.
8. Water feasibility project update: The water survey was sent to the village and extended village residents by Wednesday July 18th. Online survey (with paper back up) was sent to all remaining residents. Responses are coming in.
9. Membership outreach: Patrick McQuillen will attend when Rebecca Returns. Lisa Mann has not been able to speak to Kate Ullman, former teacher in Jamaica, who is another possible candidate.
10. Other Business: None.
11. Public concerns: Economic development along Route 30 - Windham Trans Committee and VTrans mass transit plan includes a bus line from Brattleboro to Jamaica.
12. Calendar items: The first Monday in September is Labor Day, putting the next Planning Commission meeting on September 20, 2018. Chris will confer with Rebecca about a potential make up meeting.
13. Meeting adjourn: Chris adjourned the meeting at 07:50 pm.