

JAMAICA PLANNING COMMISSION (JPC)

REGULAR MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

March 16, 2020

Present: Bryan Zieroff, Patrick McQuillan, and Chris Robbins.

Public Present: Jessica Glass Pollack and John Sohikian.

1. Meeting call to order: Bryan called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.
2. JPC membership update and elections: John Sohikian was present, confirmed that his request letter to join the JPC was presented to the Selectboard, and is awaiting to hear confirmation status. Chris Robbins motioned to nominate Bryan Zieroff as new Chairperson of the JPC, which was seconded by Patrick McQuillan, and approved unanimously. The selection of a JPC secretary was postponed until the next meeting where additional JPC member(s) are expected to be available for the open position.
3. Additions to the agenda: none.
4. Approve minutes: the March 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
5. Mail received: none.
6. Discuss any action items/policies/cancellations to be considered relative to Corvid 19: Chris has been in communication with Paul Fraser of the Selectboard to determine if the JPC could be of assistance with providing services (food deliveries, etc.) for any families affected by national and/or local quarantines. Chris will check with the school to confirm that food delivery is being completed.
7. Update on the Broadband Survey (Chris): Chris reported that 95 residents of Jamaica completed the survey, exceeding the 20% requirement for Jamaica to continue as part of the broadband initiative. Chris will continue to provide updates on the status/progress.
8. Discuss and confirm any comments on the draft Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP): The reviewed and agreed upon JPC comment letter was forwarded to Alyssa Sabetto as planned. The next step will be reviewing a revised draft addressing the provided comments.
9. Discuss/Plan for completing the amendment/adoption process of the Town Plan: The revised draft plan including the energy element and flood related revisions is complete, and the JPC will work to initiate the adoption process.
10. Other business, if any: As part of the goal for improving public outreach, the JPC confirmed that planned updates to the Town website and creation of a public outreach website are underway.

11. Public concerns: none.
12. Calendar items: the next JPC meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm.
13. Meeting adjourn: Bryan adjourned the meeting at 8:20 pm.