

Poultney Planning Commission
Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 23, 2022 – 6:30 pm
Town Office
9 Main Street, Poultney, Vermont

Special Meeting Minutes

Pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 312(C)(2), the Poultney Planning Commission hereby warns a Special Meeting to review updates to the Poultney Unified Bylaws.

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm. Members in attendance included Doug Langdon, Mary-Sue Reed, Mark Teetor, Neal Vreeland, and Jaime Lee. Others in attendance included Paul Donaldson, Zoning Administrator; Judy Leech; and Dave Cooper.

1) Adoption of the Agenda

Neal V. made a motion to approve the agenda. Mary-Sue R. seconded. No further discussion. Oral vote unanimous, motion carried.

2) Unified Bylaws Update

The Commission continued discussion of the Bylaw updates and finalized the minor items remaining. Neal V. noted that, regarding any incorrect external citations, it may be more expedient to replace all citations to 24 V.S.A. with “the Act”, as this is defined in the first section of the Bylaws.

Doug L. made a motion to approve the draft and schedule a public hearing for adoption. Neal V. seconded. No further discussion. Oral vote unanimous, motion carried.

3) Public Comments and Concerns

Judy L. noted that PEG TV may be an option for electronic access to meetings, if Zoom proves to be difficult. The way the ballot item is worded, however, would require that viewers at home be able to access the meeting *and* contribute remotely; it was unclear whether PEG TV could help address this second requirement.

Dave Cooper, representative of Len Knapmiller, inquired as to the Planning Commission’s intentions regarding Poultney Properties LLC, and noted that development seems to have been made impossible with the proposed amendments.

4) Old Business

- Mary-Sue R. provided an update on the electronic vehicle (EV) charging station grant opportunity. Exploration with Sarah Pelkey continues, and Mary-Sue intends to speak Mary Cohen of the the Rutland Housing Authority.
- The Selectboard schedule their second Public Hearing on the Town updates for Monday, March 21, 2022 at 6:00PM at the Fire House.
- Mark T. distributed the Zoning Permit fee schedule for Fair Haven. Jaime L. offered to add this as an item of discussion for the next meeting. Mark T. noted that Mary-Sue R. would be a great Zoning Administrator.

5) New Business

The Commission discussed the upcoming meeting at Regenerative Land Holdings (Green Mountain College). Most members planned to be in attendance.

6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business

N/A

7) Adjourn

Doug L. made a motion to adjourn. Mary-Sue R. seconded. No further discussion. Oral vote unanimous, motion carried.

s/ Jaime Lee, Chair