

The Town of St. Albans
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
Meeting held via Zoom Conference Call
April 21st, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes

Present: G. Henderson (Chair), E. Creley (Clerk), Casey Toof, Anne Pomeroy, Hannah Rounds
Staff Present: Ned Connell, AJ Johnson, Administrative Assistant
Public Present:

Zoom Meeting ID: 7395793-6923

CALL TO ORDER

G. Henderson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL ADJUSTMENTS AND CHANGES TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR 2022 AS A RESULT OF THE COVID-19.

N. Connell provided an updated spreadsheet to the PC showing different versions of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) if there was a reduction in the money collected from the Local Options Tax (LOT).

The LOT money to be spent next fiscal year has already been collected. If there is a reduction in money collected by the LOT this quarter, that will affect the 2022 CIP funding. N. Connell explained that the proposed CIP would still be possible even with a 30% decrease in LOT funds.

N. Connell read an email from A. Voegelé who could not attend the meeting. A. Voegelé shared his opinion that money should be spent wisely to stimulate the local economy. If there are projects that are shovel ready, such as sidewalk construction, now may be the right time to move forward on them.

A. Pomeroy asked why the spreadsheet still showed funding for the community pool that was not approved by voters. N. Connell confirmed it was a mistake and he would remove that line and provide an updated copy to the PC.

The PC discussed the restoration of the Stonehouse and wondered if there would be any changes in the potential funding sources. N. Connell still intends to apply for grants.

The PC discussed the Town hall project. E. Creley confirmed the Selectboard still intends to spend the \$65,000 approved by the voters to assess sites and engineering needed, but the process will be slower than originally anticipated.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OTHER BUSINESS

G. Henderson announced his intention to get off the Planning Commission now that Hannah Rounds has been appointed. He anticipates being part of the joint PC/SB meeting but will likely be done after that.

SCHEDULE

A joint meeting will be held with the Selectboard on Monday, April 27th at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: E. Creley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. All in favor, none opposed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
AJ Johnson, Administrative Assistant

Grant Henderson, Chair

Date

Erin Creley, Clerk

Date

Casey Toof

Date

Anne Pomeroy

Date

Hannah Rounds

Date