

## JOHNSON PLANNING COMMISSION

### MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting: 14 JULY 2022, 7:00 PM EDT

#### *In person*

Members (P=Present; A=Absent)

Charles Gallanter (P), David Butler (A), Greg Tatro (P), Kim Cotnoir (A), Kyley Hill (A), Rob Rodriguez (P), Shayne Spence (P), Paul Warden (P)

**Call to order** – 7:20 PM (Delayed reaching a quorum)

**Agenda Changes or Public Comment** - None

**Approval of 09 MAR 2022 minutes** - Shayne moved; Charles seconded. No discussion, all votes were in favor; Greg and Rob who abstained having been absent.

#### **News:**

1. Reappointments – Kim (3 yr), Rob (2 yr), and Paul (2 yr). Will have JPC website updated.
2. Cambridge Childcare Municipal Planning Grant Consortium (towns: Cambridge, Johnson, Stowe, Wolcott) – LCPC sent 2 RFPs; Childcare Needs and Barriers; Engineering – no new news.
3. Johnson Health Center – Act 250 permit submitted. Greg reported the permit was received and work is underway. Opening hopefully in a few months.
4. Solar Array development of private property – Property appears to be located on the south side of Route 15, west of town, just past Donnie Henn's shop.
5. Selectboard road survey – Class IV roads (SB discussion, no action)
6. Meeting Schedule – Changed to 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. All present agreed OK. Greg asked if there was interest for others re serving on JPC, if so, he may step down due to his schedule.

#### **Elections – Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk:**

- Chair – Charles nominated Paul to be reappointed as Chair, Shayne seconded. Unopposed. All in favor. The Chair will serve as Clerk also.
- Vice Chair – Greg nominated Rob to be reappointed as Vice Chair, Charlie seconded. Unopposed. All in favor.

**Draft Town Survey** – Concept is to gain input to help update the Town Plan in hopes of making it a more “actionable” document. Previously agreed to use the existing Cambridge-Jeffersonville survey as a template.

Categories in the survey include:

- Development – Decided to add “Recreational Development” to this section. Greg said he had heard that a homeless shelter was going to be proposed in Johnson; no information about who or where. Decided to include on survey

- Water & Sewer – Restructure to fit Johnson. Consider asking about extension of Village Water & Sewer into areas of the Town. If in favor, in what locations? Does interest in this depend on availability of federal money? Only if developer pays?
- Roads and Sidewalks and Lighting – Discussion about adding a question re interest in a stoplight or blinking light in the Village to slow traffic and allow ingress/egress to/from Railroad St. and Clay Hill Rd. Possibly turn blinking light off at night?
- Recreation – Add dog park question.
- Tourism / Visitor Services – add question re short-term rental, hotel/motel, hostel?

Items discussed briefly and left out or not discussed: ATVs on roads, how to define low-income housing, zoning, schools/performance rating, etc. A draft will be developed for the JPC to review and solicit input on.

### **Next Meeting / Adjourn**

Next meeting: 11 AUG 2022, 7 PM

Adjourn: Shayne moved; Greg seconded. All in favor. 9PM.