



## MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, December 11, 2019

LOCATION: Greensboro Free Library

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Predpall, Chair; David Miltenberger, Vice Chair; and Jerilyn Virden, Christine Armstrong, Ellen Celnick. Absent: Carol Fairbank, Kent Hansen

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 5:05 PM

1. Minutes from the November meeting were approved without changes.
2. Greater Greensboro Day Update:
  - The Wastewater Task Force met last week. The Task Force will research wastewater projects in Vermont. In addition, a \$30,000 Search Grant will be investigated, which would conduct an overview of how wastewater infrastructure could be implemented in Greensboro. The Team created a vision statement.
  - The Walking/Biking Task Force: no report this month.
  - The Lake Water Quality Task Force renamed itself to Stewards of Greensboro Watersheds. They are focusing on education, and applying for a watershed study grant. A Vermont Lakewise Program representative will attend the next meeting.
  - He Broadband Connectivity Task Force. The Task Force presented to the Selectboard to join a regional organization created by the state to further develop broadband capability in the Northeast kingdom.
3. Bylaw Assessment Team Update
  - The Shoreland District Team is working on various bylaw language changes regarding accessory structures and other issues. A draft has been circulated. The goal is to finalize the draft in January for informal review by the Selectboard.
  - The Signage Bylaw Team is considering a number of revisions to the current sign bylaws for permanent signs. There was some disagreement regarding whether the Commission should write a bylaw for temporary signs. This subject will be revisited in January and a vote taken if the disagreement persists.
  - The Lake Water Quality Team is working on language extending Caspian Lake feeder stream buffers, and instituting a no-mow zone along the lakeshore.
  - An earth extraction bylaw is being drafted in accord with direction from NVDA.
4. The Housing Committee is managing the Housing Assessment Study being conducted by Development Cycles. The draft report was received and reviewed by the Committee. The comments were forwarded to the consultant, and a final report is expected in late December. The report will be widely circulated to the town.



5. The Bend Revitalization Initiative Group met in October. They came up with twelve actions to improve the Bend. The goal is to implement several of these actions in 2020. The Planning Commission will support this initiative.
6. The process to make bylaw changes was discussed. The recommended bylaw changes will be distributed to the attendees at the March Town Meeting and sent to residents via the Greensboro Association. Soon after the Town Meeting, the Planning Commission will hold a public meeting to receive comments.
7. The next Planning Commission meeting will occur on January 8th at the Greensboro Free Library at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Dan Predpall