



# Newton Planning Board

## Public Meeting Minutes

December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023



The Newton Planning Board public meeting was called to order at: 7:02PM

Present were Mr. Moran, Mr. Marchand, Mr. Eddy, and Alternate Mr. Gibbons.

Also Present: James Doggett – PB AA

Present via Zoom, Ms. White, Ms. Eddy, and Ms. Rowden - Circuit Rider.

Chairman Moran led the salute to the Flag.

Chairman Moran seated Mr. Gibbons as a voting member for the excused Ms. Burke

### 1. Public Hearings

#### ***A. A public hearing to discuss changes in Section XXX. FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE.***

Chairman Moran opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 and introduced the subject. Ms. Rowden added that these changes would keep Newton's ordinances aligned with the Federal Regulations.

Chairman Moran opened the floor for public comment. There were none.

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to place the following article on the Town Warrant: **Are you in favor of the adoption of Warrant article No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board to amend Section XXX FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE as necessary to comply with requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program?"**

Ms. White seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Gibbons – Aye Ms. Eddy – Aye  
Mr. Moran - Aye The vote was **UNANIMOUS**.

Chairman Moran closed the Public Hearing at 7:07PM.

***B. A public hearing to discuss changes in Section XII Home-based Business Ordinance.***

Chairman Moran opened the Public Hearing at 7:08PM

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to place the following article on the Town Warrant: **Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town's zoning ordinances as follows: amend SECTION XII HOME OCCUPATIONS AND HOME-BASED BUSINESSES, subsection B, 2 to read: There shall be no outdoor activity or use, including storage and parking of commercial vehicles or trailers exceeding ~~12,000~~ 26,000 GVW, except for the provision of employee parking.**

Ms. White seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran opened the floor for public comment. There were none.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Gibbons – Aye Ms. Eddy – Aye  
Mr. Moran - Aye The vote was **UNANIMOUS**.

Chairman Moran closed the Public Hearing at 7:15PM

Mr. Gibbons recused himself for the next public hearing.

***C. A continuation of 125 Development NH Corp's request for a public hearing for a 44-unit Residential Development and Private Roadway for their land off Puzzle Lane, in Newton NH. The properties are referenced as Tax Map 14, Block 1, Lots (1-1), 2 (27-3)(27-6) and (27-7).***

Mr. Moran stated that the applicant had requested a continuance to the January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 meeting.

Mr. Marchand Moved to continue the public hearing to January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024; Mr. Eddy seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Ms. Eddy - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye  
The vote was **UNANIMOUS**

Mr. Gibbons returned to the Board.

**Board Business**

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a. Acceptance of minutes of the 11/28/23 meeting

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to accept the minutes as printed. Mr. Gibbons seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Mr. Ryan – Aye Mr. Gibbons– Aye  
Ms. Eddy - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The vote was **UNANIMOUS.**

b. **NPREA Manifest**

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to pay the NPREA Manifest in the amount of **\$232.88**  
Mr. Gibbons seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Ms. Eddy - Aye Mr. Ryan – Aye  
Mr. Gibbon – Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The vote was **UNANIMOUS.**

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to pay the HOP Grant Manifest in the amount of **\$4618.74**  
Mr. Gibbons seconded the motion.

Chairman Moran asked A.A. Doggett to call the roll.

Ms. White -Aye Mr. Eddy – Aye Mr. Marchand – Aye Ms. Eddy - Aye Mr. Ryan – Aye  
Mr. Gibbon – Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The vote was **UNANIMOUS.**

c. **Invest NH update and Master Plan Housing Chapter.**

Ms. Rowden apprised the Board of the work she had been doing on the Housing Audit and Ordinance review. She discussed the future work to be done and potential timelines for public input.

Chairman Moran declared the December 26<sup>th</sup> meeting cancelled.

**3. Adjourn.**

Chairman Moran adjourned the meeting at 7:24PM

Respectfully Submitted,

James L. Doggett, A.A.

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