

Newton Planning Board



Public Meeting Minutes

March 26th, 2024

The Newton Planning Board public meeting was called to order at: 7:00PM

Present were:

Mr. Moran Mr. Ryan Mr. Marchand Also James Doggett – PB AA Ms. White - Zoom Mr. Eddy

Ms. Rowden - Circuit Rider

Mr. Papachristos Mr. Gibbons – Alternate

A.A. Doggett led the salute to the Flag.

1. Board Reorganization

A.A. Doggett asked for nominations for Chair.

Mr. Marchand **NOMINATED** Mr. Moran to serve as chair for the ensuing year. Mr. Papachristos seconded the nomination.

A.A. Doggett called the roll.

Mr. Papachristos- Aye, Ms. White - Aye, Mr. Eddy - Aye, Mr. Ryan - Aye, Mr. Marchand - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The VOTE was **Unanimous**.

Mr. Moran assumed the chair and asked for nominations for Vice-Chair

Ms. White **NOMINATED** Mr. Eddy to serve as Vice-chair for the ensuing year. Mr. Marchand seconded the nomination.

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

Mr. Papachristos- Aye, Ms. White - Aye, Mr. Eddy - Aye, Mr. Ryan - Aye, Mr. Marchand - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The VOTE was **Unanimous**.

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

Reaffirmation of Policies:

Mr. Moran asked for a motion to reaffirm the Policies and Procedures Manual including the Fee Schedule

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to reaffirm the Policies and Procedures Manual including the Fee Schedule Mr. Ryan seconded the motion.

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

Mr. Papachristos- Aye, Ms. White - Aye, Mr. Eddy - Aye, Mr. Ryan - Aye, Mr. Gibbons - Aye, Marchand - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The VOTE was **Unanimous**.

Appointment of RPC Commissioners

Ms. White **MOVED** to recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint James L. Doggett to serve as an RPC Commissioner with a term to expire in 2029; and to recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint John R. Silvia to serve as an RPC Commissioner with a term to expire in 2027. Mr. Ryan seconded the nomination.

A.A. Doggett called the roll.

Mr. Papachristos– Aye, Ms. White – Aye, Mr. Eddy – Aye, Mr. Ryan – Aye, Mr. Gibbons – Aye, Marchand - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The VOTE was **Unanimous**.

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint Costas Papachristos on the RPC TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) with a term to expire in 2027; and to recommend the Board of Selectmen appoint Dennis Moran on the RPC TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee) as an alternate with a term to expire in 2027;. Mr. Ryan seconded the nomination.

A.A. Doggett called the roll.

Mr. Papachristos- Aye, Ms. White - Aye, Mr. Eddy - Aye, Mr. Ryan - Aye, Mr. Gibbons - Aye, Marchand - Aye Mr. Moran - Aye The VOTE was **Unanimous**.

2. Board Business

a. Acceptance of minutes of the 2/27/24 meeting

Mr. Marchand **MOVED** to accept the minutes of 2-27-24; Mr. Ryan seconded the motion.

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

A.A. Doggett called the roll.

Mr. Moran Ms. White Mr. Eddy Mr. Ryan Mr. Marchand Ms. Burke Mr. Papachristos The VOTE was **Unanimous**

b. Newton Housing Update.

Ms. Rowden walked the Board through the process for updating the Housing chapter of the Town's Master Plan, announcing there may be money available to cover some if not all the costs associated with potential new language for the Zoning Ordinances. She will speak more in-depth on the subject at the April 9th meeting.

3. Adjourn.

Mr. Moran adjourned the meeting at 8:12PM

Respectfully Submitted,

James L. Doggett,

A.A. Newton Planning Board