

**NEWTON PLANNING BOARD
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING
March 26, 2019**

Call to Order: AA Gail LeBlanc called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. In attendance were: Chair Barbara White, Vice Chair James Doggett, Planning Board members: Roger Hamel, James White and Circuit Rider Planner Jennifer Rowden.

Minutes were transcribed by Gail LeBlanc

The meeting began with a salute to the flag.

G. LeBlanc asked for nominations for Chair of the Planning Board. **J. White nominated B. White to Chair the Planning Board for the next year. Second by J. Doggett. Nomination passed.**

G. LeBlanc asked for nominations for Vice Chair of the Planning Board. **J. White nominated J. Doggett to Vice Chair of the Planning Board for the next year. Second by B. White. 3 in favor; 1 opposed. Nomination passed.**

J. Doggett moved to bring to Public Hearing the Stormwater Site Plan Regulations changes April 9, 2019. Second by J. White. All in favor.

2. Board Business and Correspondence

a. Acceptance of minutes from 2/26/19. J. Doggett moved to accept the minutes of the 2/26/19 meeting. Second by R. Hamel with unanimous vote.*

*It should be noted that the minutes of 2/26/2019 stated there would be a public hearing tonight, March 26th to adopt the Stormwater Site Plan Regulations. Due to a noticing error in the local newspaper, the Public Hearing will be held 4/9/19.

b. Manifests J. Doggett moved to pay the Operating Budget manifest in the amount of \$70.04. Second by J. White with unanimous vote.

c. Correspondence After reviewing the driveway easements, the PB received a letter from Town Counsel suggesting that the Town require waivers for shared driveways at the recently approved 8-lot subdivision at 141 South Main Street. South Main Street is a State road. At the initial PB hearing, Both the Town Engineer and Road Agent did not offer any opinion on the driveways because South Main Street is a State Road and the driveway permits are issued by the State. The Engineer for 141 South Main Street replied to an email question about Waivers, and responded that "I did not request any waivers, and review by the Board and its agents did not determine that I needed any waivers. I am assuming that I am correct that the subdivision regulation called out by Atty Kalman only applies to Town Roadways and not to State Roadways such as in

this case?" After some discussion, the AA will email Town Counsel for clarification.

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<https://www.newton-nh.gov/planning-board/pages/planning-board-videos>

R. Hamel made a motion to reimburse PB members for mileage for attendance at RPC meetings and continuing education. Second by J. White. All in favor.

3. Adjourn: J. Doggett moved to adjourn at 7:35 PM. Second by J. White. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail LeBlanc, AA
Newton Planning Board