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MEETING OF THE BERKSHIRE PLANNING COMMISSION

March 19, 2025

Present: Walter Elander, Russell Ford, Margo Sherwood (by Zoom), Joshua Grims. Absent: Claude Charron, Kristine Koch, Jay Tremblay, Shayna Sherwood.

NRPC: Emily Klofft (by Zoom)

Guest: Kenneth Sekuterski

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Margo Sherwood.

1. Municipal Planning Grant Application:

- PC members should review grant priorities on pages 5 and 8 of the Guidelines provided by Emily Klofft (attached). Project to apply for a grant to be discussed at the upcoming PC meeting.
- Applying for a Town Forest grant again is not a good option.

2. Enosburg Reservoir Dam Removal

- Enosburg Falls wants to remove the aging dam on their reservoir on Reservoir Rd.
- On April 10 there is a meeting with Berkshire DRB and Enosburg representatives to discuss this; abutters have been warned. PC members may attend.

3. Act 181

- The information provided by Emily Klofft (attached) was reviewed.
 - i. A Motion was made by Margo to accept the changes as proposed with the addition of language in §4428(d) regarding parking spaces on a nearby lot to count as parking requirements for a residential building.
 - ii. Motion seconded by Russ Ford.
 - iii. All voted in favor.
- There will be a Public Hearing on May 21, 2025 to present the updated Zoning Regulations with new language re: Act 181.
 - i. Margo will coordinate with the Town Clerk to schedule and warn the hearing.

- ii. Emily Klofft will provide the updated Draft Zoning Regulations to the Town Clerk.
 - iii. Walter and Margo will schedule a meeting with the Select Board to present the new regulations before the 5/21/2025 public hearing.

- 4. A Motion was made by Margo to suggest to the Select Board that Kenneth Sekuterski be appointed to the Planning Commission.
 - Seconded by Josh Grims.
 - All voted in favor.

- 5. Motions were made to accept the draft Minutes of PC meetings from 9/25/2024 and 10/23/2025. All voted in favor to accept the Minutes.

- 6. Next PC meeting is scheduled for April 16 at 6 PM, topics will include:
 - Act 181 and Future Regional Land Use Map, including revisions to maps of designated Village Centers.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.