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PANTON PLANNING COMMISSION AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

Minutes for Thursday, April 13, 2023

In attendance: DRB/PC Vice Chair Bob Hartenstein, DRB/PC Member Gretchen Bailey, DRB/PC Member Annie Hopper, Clerk-Treasurer Maggie McCormick

Via Zoom: DRB/PC Chair Mary Rudd, DRB/PC Member Catharine Hays, DRB/PC Member Bethanie Brady Farrell, Zoning Administrator David Martini, Greg Baringer

Development Review Board Meeting

Mary called the meeting to order at 5:59 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes from March meeting.
 - a. Bob moved to accept the minutes as written. Gretchen seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.
2. Public comment
 - a. None
3. Monthly Report from the Zoning Administrator and any updates on permit activity.
 - a. There were no new permits.
4. Other Business- old or new
 - a. Friday, April 21 at 10:00 a.m.
 - b. ZA will notify Cushman and neighbors.
 - a. Bob and ZA will do noise metering at 9:30 same day.

Gretchen moved to adjourn. Annie seconded. All in favor; the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting

Convened at 6:07p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes from the February & March meetings.

- a. Catharine moved to approve the February minutes as written. Bethanie seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.
- b. March Meeting Minutes: Mary noted corrections: that the Vergennes Bypass letter was sent to Katharine Otto and Adam Lougee and attended a single meeting.
 - i. Bethanie moved to approve the minutes with corrections Mary noted. Bob seconded. All in favor; the motion passed.

2. Public comment: None

3. New Business:

- a. Bob asked about the 2023 VTrans Bicycle and Pedestrian Grant Program information the clerk had circulated.
- b. The Planning Commission does not have a project for funding currently.

4. Old Business

Vergennes PEL Study summary of Policy Committee Meeting

- Howard, Mary, Gretchen, Bob in attendance—two western routes around Otter Creek Park, RT17 N/S split and on that comes over the existing bridge and then go up Comfort Hill. Letter on record as against western routes. New Haven sent a letter that only supports western options.
- Catharine spoke in support of electric vehicles.
- Mary talked about the economies of rail transport.
- Next phase is conceptual design.
- Vergennes Partnership is in favor.
- Catharine and Bethanie thanked Mary for her work on the bypass issue.

Bob motioned to adjourn. Gretchen seconded. All in favor; the meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Maggie McCormick
Town Clerk & Treasurer