



## *Williamsburg Planning Board*

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### **Minutes**

for Public Hearing and  
regular meeting on

**April 24, 2017**

**Approved**

<b>Members:</b>	present	not present
Robert Barker	x	
Steve Snow	x	
Steve Smith	x	
Charles Dudek	x	
Chris Flory	x	
Mimi Kaplan	x	
<b>Others present:</b>		
Jean O'Neil, Bonnie Roberge		

Chairman Robert Barker called the Public Hearing to order 7:00PM.

- No members of the public were in attendance to provide input on the proposed bylaw changes.
- Minutes of the Hearing and conclusions are on the last page of these minutes in the form of a Report to the Board of Selectmen.

The Planning Board voted to close the Public Hearing at 7:15PM.

Chairman Robert Barker called the Planning Board meeting to order at 7:15PM.

1. Barker welcomed Mimi Kaplan as the newest member of the Board.
2. Bonnie Roberge asked a question regarding a division of land that may have come before the Planning Board in 1988. Her father, Lloyd Warriner, had a survey done to divide land on North Kellogg Road. Roberge had paper copies of the survey and she believed that it had been approved as ANR in 1988, but she did not have the mylar copy nor could she find it recorded at the Registry of Deeds. She asked if the Board could search its records to see if there was a record of the approval. Barker said the Board would search.
3. Steve Snow raised a question about the legality of enlarging a house on a pre-existing non-conforming lot.
4. Barker raised the idea of a complete ban on recreational marijuana establishments, to see if the Board had interest in pursuing it. Chris Flory said that based on information he had received this might not be possible under the law. Flory raised concerns about the long-term health effects of marijuana use and noted that when more data is available such a ban might be desirable for public health. The Board opted not to pursue a total ban.

5. Barker presented a plan for division of land submitted by Margaret Reagan for a lot on Chesterfield Road. The plan was stamped by surveyor Daniel Werner Lic. 30845 and dated March 24, 2017.

**Motion** by Steve Snow: That the proposed plan does not require approval under the Subdivision Control Law.

**Second** Charles Dudek

**Approved** 6 in favor, 0 opposed

Board Members signed the applicant's mylar plan which Barker would return to her. Barker noted the \$50 fee had been paid. One copy of the plan was filed in the alphabetical flat file.

6. Barker asked for a volunteer to contact the PVPC on the District Local Technical Assistance project. Mimi Kaplan offered to make the contact.
7. Barker reminded the Board to observe open meeting laws.
8. Steve Smith said he would locate and organize the Planning Board's files of meeting minutes going back as far as possible.
9. Review of minutes

Meeting Date:	Comments	Motion to Accept	Motion to Accept as Amended	Second	Vote Yea – Nay	Reject
4/3/17	Corrections needed: add a missing "y" on Flory.		Barker	Snow	6-0	

10. The meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Steve Smith*

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**Report to the Board of Selectmen Regarding Outcome of Planning Board Public Hearing on Proposed Bylaw Changes held on April 24, 2017**

Planning Board members present: Robert Barker, Chair, Stephen Snow, Charles Dudek, Chris Flory, Mimi Kaplan, and Steve Smith.

The meeting had been advertised in The Country Journal on April 6 and 13, was posted on the Town Website and had been posted by the Town Clerk.

The meeting called to order by Planning Board Chair Robert Barker at 7:00PM.

No members of the public spoke at the hearing and no other input was received by the Board prior to the hearing. (There were three town citizens in the room who had other business with the Board.)

The following four draft changes to Town Bylaws were read:

- Changing Zoning Bylaw Section 3.2 to prohibit businesses with drive-throughs
- Changing Zoning Bylaw Section 9.83 b. to fix a typographical error regarding pre-existing illegal signs
- Adding to the Zoning Bylaw a Section 20 for Temporary Moratoria and add a section 20.1 Temporary Moratorium on the Sale and Distribution of Marijuana Not Medically Prescribed
- Adding to the General Bylaw a section “Authorizing Denial or Revocation of Local License or Permit for Nonpayment of Local Taxes, Fees, or Other Charges”

The Planning Board voted unanimously to close the public hearing at 7:15PM.

During deliberation, Chris Flory moved that the expiration date of the Temporary Moratorium should be changed to September 30, 2018 instead of June 30, 2018. The motion was seconded by Robert Barker and approved by unanimous vote.

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Please find attached the Planning Board Warrant Articles provided by Town Administrator Charlene Nardi on 4/25 – with one edit changing the expiration date of the moratorium on the third page (noted as a tracked change in the Word document).

Respectfully submitted,  
*Steve Smith, Clerk*

cc: Town Administrator, Town Clerk, Planning Board