



Williamsburg Planning Board

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Minutes for meeting on **March 30, 2021**

Member	Present	Not Present	Member	Present	Not Present
Amy Bisbee	X		Eric Schmitt	X	
Chris Flory		X	Steve Smith	X	
Holly Hendricks	X		Steve Snow	X	
Jean O'Neil	X				
Other attendees: Larry Holmberg					

At 7:03 pm Bisbee called the meeting to order.

1. ANR 5 & 7 Main Street. Larry Holmberg spoke on behalf of the ANR, and notes that work on the project dates back to 1994. The applicants brought matter to ZBA prior to coming to the planning board due to both lots being nonconforming. Steve Smith recuses himself from this matter due to his role as manager of abutting establishment at 3 Main Street. O'Neil motions that the proposed plan does not require approval under the Subdivision Control Law" Holly seconds. The motion passes unanimously (Smith recused).

2. Substantial discussion of comments and questions from prior night's public listening session. The board noted broad support for detached accessory apartments, as well as different points of view on maximum size (both for pre-existing structures and new development scenarios), and privacy sensitivities. The board discussed these items at length. After discussion of possible changes, the board elected to keep the current draft language intact, and to add a 40' setback from property boundaries. Chair Bisbee to draft setback language, and the board will revisit the topic after the public hearing. With respect to solar arrays, the board noted the sense of consensus from attendees in favor of the proposed bylaw changes, as well as the comments made by the energy committee chair, who was in attendance.

3. Discussion of public information session process, posting, and advertising. The target date of April 19 at a time of 7pm was confirmed, subject to a few logistical contingencies.

4. Discussion of board membership, term expirations, and new member recruitment.

At 8:11 pm the meeting adjourned. The next scheduled meeting is expected to be the Public Hearing, targeted for April 19th at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Eric Schmitt