

Williamsburg Planning Board

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Minutes for meeting on **December 5, 2022**

Member	Present	Not Present	Member	Present	Not Present	
Tariq Abu-Jaber	X [R]		Jean O'Neil	Х		
Amy Bisbee	Х		Eric Schmitt	X [R]		
Chris Flory	Х		Steve Smith	Х		
Holly Hendricks	Х					
Other attendees: [R] = Remote						

At 7:04 pm Chair Smith called the meeting to order.

1. Comprehensive (master) plan discussion. Discussion of benefits, including zoning changes, infrastructure, regionalization questions, site plan review updates, economic development, open space. Review of steps including survey, visioning, open meetings, focus groups, writing the plan, implementation workshop, implementation. PVPC can provide DLTA (district local technical assistance) in 2023 for \$20,000 or so. Consensus on the importance of the visioning step to capture and reflect residents' thoughts. Discussion of GIS, timeline, connections with other boards and committees, including Greenway. Discussion of overall scope and nature of planning.

2. Vote on prior minutes

Meeting Date	Comments	Motion to Accept	Motion to Accept as Amended	Second	Vote Yea - Nay
11/7/2022	Meeting minutes	Abu-Jaber		Flory	7-0



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11/21/2022	Meeting minutes	Flory		O'Neil	6-0; Schmitt abstains
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- 3. Committee Liaison Reports
- a. Bisbee ZBA, and approved a one year extension on the River Road solar permit.
- b. O'Neil draft of Economic development findings has arrived and is being reviewed.
- c. O'Neil debrief on a November 16th webinar meeting sponsored by Massachusetts Land Trust Coalition regarding economic benefits of open space. Numerous benefits to residents, businesses, etc. listed and quantified.

The next meetings are planned for December 19th, January 9th, and January 23rd.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Schmitt