

# Planning Board Meeting Minutes

## May 11, 2017

members present: Ken Kahn, Gary Gruber, Tom Ewing, Richard Nathhorst, Steve Freedman, Jean Bergstrom

Members absent: Van Stoddard

\*Gary did the minutes last time, they were approved. He will send a copy to Lisa.

\*Jean was elected at TM for another 5 year term  
All of the articles that the PB presented at Town Meeting passed.

\*We re-organized the board after the Town Meeting and unanimously elected Ken as our chair.  
Richard will continue to do the filing and posting.

\*We are still the SPGA (Special Permit Granting Authority) for Solar Special permits until the Attorney General approves our bylaw change. The fees for Special Permits are \$100. Tom suggested that we should come up with Site Plan Review Hearing Requirements. Ken said that he will do this.

\*This is a rough draft of the requirements:

Ken suggested that the Site Plan Review Fee be the same as the Special Permit Fee --\$100. No need to spend the \$100 twice.

Applicants will notify abutters by certified mail.

Planning Board will provide the applicant with the list of concerned persons and the notice.

Planning Board will not post Site Plan Review Notices in the paper

We voted on these requirements and all approved.

\*Fay Zipkowitz has applied for a Special Permit for a Solar Array on her property on North Leverett Road. The array exceeds the height limit, it is 18 feet high. Valley Solar is the company.

\*June 14<sup>th</sup> is our next meeting and we will have the hearing on Fay's application then.

\*Future topics for discussion include:

Affordable housing and Tiny houses. Let's explore whether it is worthwhile for us to create the conditions to make affordable housing more available in town.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45

Respectfully submitted by,  
Jean Bergstrom