

TOWN OF RUMNEY
PLANNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
April 25, 2023

Present: Brad Eaton, Brian Flynn, Don Winsor, Isaac DeWever, John Dow and Judi Hall

Absent: Josh Keys

Brian Flynn called the meeting to order at 7:08

1. The minutes of the March 28, 2023 Planning Board Meeting were approved as written.

2. Selectmen's report:

Still waiting to hear from the State about the Rest Area.

The Town Hall project is progressing. Carpeting of the Community Room should take place in the next few weeks. The Police Department is waiting for electronics hook-ups to be completed so that they can move into their new space. The next step will be to renovate the Town Clerk's office and the space for the Planning Board.

There was discussion about exterior finishes and who was responsible for seeing things were done properly. Selectman Dewever said the discussion was getting into issues that should be addressed to the Selectmen at one of their meetings.

3. Masterplan - At 7:40 a call was made to Tara Bamford to review the work we are doing to update the Master Plan. There are still some questions about the demographic information that Tara has gathered. Judi will go over some of this with Joe Chivell for more insight.

We discussed the section on town facilities. Tara recommended that we each take one or two of the facilities to update. The Board agreed this was a good plan.

Tara will be on vacation next month and will not be able to meet with us. We should have updates for her when we meet with her again in June.

4. Don Winsor asked how can we attract people to the Planning Board? There was discussion on how to find people willing to serve. How do we get younger people to be part of the Board? Most of the members are older and some have been on the Board for many years.
Places to talk to people or advertise for Board Members included the Town Library, the dump, Sole Track, the Village Store, the Post Office. Don suggested we each try to come up with one name.

5. Judi reported that Joe Chivell had made the suggestion that the Planning Board look into holding meetings at the school so we could use the internet equipment and connections there. There was concern that maybe we didn't want all our meetings to be on the internet. Using Zoom for talking with Tara or select hearings might be all we are comfortable with right now. And we should have better service at the Town Hall soon.

6. The meeting was adjourned at 9:07.

Respectfully submitted

Judi Hall

