

Glastenbury Planning Commission/DRB Minutes *DRAFT*

August 23, 2021

Attending: Board Members Cinda Morse, Chair; Michael White, and Jerry Mattison. Absent: Mike Gardner. Also attending ZA BCRC Catherine Bryars, Callie Fishburn, and Rickey Harrington, Glastenbury Supervisor.

This meeting was held in person at the BCRC office and by Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Chair Cinda Morse at 7:07pm. The agenda was reviewed with no changes. No board member had a conflict with anything on this agenda.

Minutes of July 26, 2021: The minutes were adopted as presented in a motion made by Mike W. and seconded by Jerry M.

Update on the BCRC Public Hearing on the Zoning Bylaw: BCRC's public hearing on the Glastenbury Zoning Bylaw was held July 15th at 5:30. All members of the Glastenbury PC were present as was a quorum to vote on the Bylaw. While a quorum was present, an extension of 12 days was requested to allow all BCRC voting members time to review the Bylaw and vote. The Bylaw was adopted as of 7-15-21 in a 14 to 2 Vote of BCRC Commissioners. The updated Bylaw has been posted on the BCRC Website.

The public hearing brought out some good comments that have (or shortly will be) implemented including:

- A request to have a presentation of the Bylaw to Commissioners prior to asking for a vote. This process recommendation will be implemented going forward.
- It was noted that it is beneficial to consult with Rob Farley, AOT on Bylaw/Town Plan matters.
- Likewise, because so much of Glastenbury is Forest Service land, good to check in with them too. The Glastenbury PC is doing this as we update the Town Plan.
- It was noted that the folks who were disgruntled about firearms trainings several years ago, have not changed their minds although there have not been current complaints. One commissioner voted against the Bylaw because of this but would have voted for it if there had been a fine listed for violation of permit. Provision for violation fines is indeed in the Bylaw Section 9.5.

Fayville Trail Bridge Update: Follow up with District Ranger Martina Barnes has not happened as yet.

Final Permits for Gallagher Pond: The State has issued it's final permit which means we have issued the local permit making the Gallagher Pond project complete and fully compliant with the Bylaw.

Public Comments: No members of the public were in attendance to comment.

Town Plan Update: As agreed at our last meeting, Cat sent out an edited version of Chapters 4 & 5 including new maps for review prior to this meeting. In general, changes were okay.

Discussion shifted to Chapters 6 - 8. Comments addressed recognizing historic resources and supporting recreational opportunities but not taking the lead in moving either to a new level so sections that suggest a more aggressive approach will be removed. Overall, it's a "leave well enough alone" attitude while still ensuring that we do all we can to protect what is. Contact with the Forest Service will happen to review parts of their master plan which is valid until 2030. Cat will again make some editing changes based on our conversation and get to us prior to next meeting September 27th.

Chapters 9-11 are up for September discussion. Meeting adjourned at 8:56 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Cinda Morse Chair