

Town of Plymouth Planning Commission
And Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes

March 5, 2019

Chairman Mike Coleman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board members in attendance were Mike Coleman, Anne Brown, Lee Kafer, Richard Kaminski, Keith Cappellini, and Jay Kullman.

The board discussed possible methods to increase citizen input and participation on the board and at board meetings. Online postings on Front Porch Forum, the Plymouth Press, and the Plymouth Facebook page were discussed as a current method of reaching residents and property owners.

Lee Kafer spoke to a question, previously posed to the board, to eliminate the Australian Ballot as the final vote on the Adoption of the Town Plan. He feels we should not vote to eliminate the Australian Ballot, as it allows all voting residents to cast their vote on the adoption of the revised town plan.

Mike led a discussion of the Town Plan Draft. One of the most important chapters in the Plan is the chapter on Land Use. Having an approved town plan allows the town to apply for a Village Center Designation. Potential benefits from such a designation are tax credits and priority consideration for state grants for improvements made to structures within the designated area. Mike spoke to the need for stronger definitions of zoning areas. He said that need will be addressed as the board moves forward to revise our current Zoning Ordinance.

Anne Brown moved to approve the draft of the Town Plan as presented with corrections from Jay Kullman regarding additional cemeteries to be added to the list stated in the plan.

Mike Coleman seconded the motion .

The motion passed with 5 voting for and 1 against.

A PDF of the plan will be posted on the town web-site.

Next, the board discussed making the Zoning Application more concise and making it a fillable PDF.

The minutes of the January 15, 2019 Zoning Board meeting were approved.

The next meeting will take place on April 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the auditorium of Town Hall.

The board adjourned to executive meeting at 8:15 PM.

The Zoning Board meeting adjourned at 8:50PM.

Respectfully submitted, as draft
Elaine Pauley