



**Town of Becket
Planning Board
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February 20, 2024 Minutes Joint meeting with Zoning Board of Appeals

Board members in attendance: Alvin Blake, Diana Mott and Robert Ronzio in person. Ann Krawet on Zoom. Howard Lerner and Gale LaBelle absent

Administrative Assistant: Susan Crossley

Zoning Board members in attendance: Sarah Hoecker, Mary Canty, Jeff Wilkinson and Chris Milenkevich on Zoom

ZBA Administrative Assistant: Tess Lundburg

Public in attendance: Henry Scarpo

Public in attendance on Zoom: Robin Mathiesen and Kathe Warden

Call to order: Sarah Hoecker opens the meeting for the ZBA, Robert Ronzio opens the meeting for the Planning Board. at 6:02pm.

Old Business: ZBA goes over the minutes of their last meeting and approves them.

New Business: Ms. Hoecker brings up changes that they would like to make to the Zoning By-laws Table of Contents §3.1.1 and 3.1.3, Use Regulations and Residential. §3.4.4 and 3.4.5 Non-Conforming One- and Two-Family Dwellings. Ms. Hoecker would like to change Y to read Permitted as of right with Building Inspector approval in all cases. Add in all cases to Prohibited in N. Eliminate Special Permit/Planning Board and add Planning Board Special Permit in all cases to PB. E eliminate some of the symbols used (ZBA, SB and SPR) and add a new symbol U- Use permitted as of right with Zoning Board of Appeals Site Plan Review approval in all cases. Chairman Ronzio would like to know the reasoning behind the changes. Ms. Hoecker says it is to create clarity and better understanding for the public. Chairman Ronzio says the only one he agrees with is eliminating SB Special Permit/Board of Selectmen. Chairman Ronzio feels the changes are more confusing and not necessary. Going on to §3.4.4 and 3.4.5

The first change is just grammatical. Chairman Ronzio explains that this is the first time the board has meet and discussed this issue and that they can't agree with these changes without further discussion. Chairman Ronzio tells the ZBA to write up the changes and get it to the Planning Board and we will need to have a Public Hearing on the issue. Ms. Hoecker said she would work on that and would work on the dates for the Public Hearing.

Adjournment: Diana Mott makes the motion to adjourn and Alvin Blake seconds. Chairman Ronzio calls for a vote all vote aye Planning Board adjourns at 7:09

Respectfully submitted:



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