

WESTMORLAND PLANNING BOARD

March 18, 2019

Minutes

Present: Lauren Bressett, Tim Thompson, Alison Fissette, Bruce Smith, Frank Reeder-Selectman. Excused: Larry Siegel, Jim Starkey, Elaine Moore- Alt.

Lauren called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Motion; Tim Thompson moved to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Alison Fissette, all approved.

The board reviewed voting results from March 12, all proposed alternations and recommendations passed. Lauren thanked all members for their work the past year and reminded everyone the board has large solar installations to review.

From last month's minutes there is still concern that the committee did not follow the Selectboard charge for this committee. What the Planning Board had expected was research and information gathering. The desire of the Planning Board for the committee for this year is to focus on large solar installations. The purpose of the committee is to gather opinions from the public in various ways to identify perceptions of positives, negatives, and concerns and to summarize this for the Planning Board. This is in keeping with the original charge by the Selectboard. "The committee is expected to garner viewpoints from across the spectrum through a variety of methods to determine the level of support" The Board suggests that views from the public be sought on what are the pros, what are the cons, what is the feeling about a large installation beside their property?

Lauren will send a letter to the selectboard restating the above concerns.

Attorney Michael Bentley was in the hallway and left early.

Lauren suggested a short meeting.

Motion; Alison moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tim. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM.

Bruce Smith, Recorder

THESE ARE UNAPPROVED MINUTES TO BE APPROVED AT THE APRIL 15, 2019 MEETING.