Village of Old Bennington

Minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting

July 14, 2025

*zoom recording link attached below*

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Members Present: Renny Ponvert (zoom), Brian Scheetz, Carl Feltz

Others Present: David Kiernan (Zoning Administrator), Christine Costello

1. Call to Order at 7:04PM
2. Changes/Updates to the Agenda - none
3. Approval of minutes 6.9.25 – Motion to approve by Mr. Ponvert, seconded by Mr. Feltz. Motion passes 3-0-0
4. Approval of minutes 6.16.25 – Motion to approve by Mr. Ponvert, seconded by Mr. Feltz. Motion passes 3-0-0
5. Citizen comments not related to Agenda - None
6. Design Review Hearing 2 Church Lane – Hearing opened at 7:06 PM. Design Review Hearing 2 Church Lane. Hearing opened at 7:06PM. Christine Costello presented sketch of location of the fence, pictures and description of the type of fencing proposed along with pictures of the front of the house where the fence will go. The fence will sit back 4-6 feet from the road. The fence is French gothic style stained white. The fence will be five feet which exceeds fence height allowed but the applicant states that 4 feet will not provide her privacy. The applicant plans to have shrubbery along the fence. All members of the Board noted they were aware of the property and its lack of privacy.

A neighbor had submitted a letter of support for the fence.

The hearing closes at 7:12 PM

1. Design Review Hearing 11 West Road - Postponed at applicants request
2. Village Plan Discussion
3. Rules of Procedure – Proposed rules for adoption will be sent for review at next meeting.
4. Old Business- Tree removal at Monument School discussed. ZA will review the replacement plan with school.
5. Motion to enter Deliberative Session at 7:19PM by Mr. Ponvert, second by Mr. Feltz. Motion passes 3-0-0.
6. Motion to return to public session by Mr. Ponvert at 7:28PM. Seconded by Mr. Feltz. Motion passes 3-0-0.
7. Design Review Hearings Decisions:

* Motion by Mr. Feltz to approve application from Christine Costello for 2 Church Lane as submitted with stipulation to place fence outside of Village right of way on Church Lane. . Seconded by Mr. Ponvert. Motion passes 3-0-0

1. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn by Mr. Ponvert at 7:33PM, seconded by Mr. Feltz. Motion passes 3-0-0.

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