

**Village of Old Bennington
Planning Commission**

**Tuesday, November 14, 2022
7:00 p.m.
First Church Barn**

MINUTES

Members present:

Nancy Coseo- Chair, Galen Jones- Vice Chair, Carl Feltz, Brian Scheetz, Mary Pat Mazzola joined via zoom at 7:36 pm

Community Members present: Marc Baetens and Kate Goble

The Village of Old Bennington Planning Commission was called to order at 7:03pm

There were no public comments not related to the agenda.

The meeting minutes from the 10/10/2022 meeting were approved.

Marc Baetens and Kate Goble, owners of Four Chimneys Inn, presented a proposed expansion of Four Chimneys, which consists of a new 5000 square foot building for a new wedding venue/restaurant. The owners presented their rationale for the expansion. The proposed building would be constructed on an existing concrete slab where they currently set up tents to host weddings. Marc explained that the new building exterior would match the existing Inn and would not need to expand any parking as there is sufficient parking. This was a preliminary presentation to the Planning Commission; there is not a completed application to date.

Marc Baetens and Kate Goble left the meeting at 7:49p.m.

No one was present for public comment regarding a proposed bylaw of temporary safety fences. This will remain open for public comment until the Trustees can vote on at the 12/6/22 meeting. Residents can contact Nancy Coseo with any comment.

The Walloomsac Inn permit to have the summer kitchen removed along with the fire escape, porches/decks has been administratively approved by Administrative Officer Bridget Gallant and Planning Commission Chair Nancy Coseo. Work shall begin around December 12, 2022.

Moved to executive session at 7:59p.m.

Adjourned executive session at 9:14p.m.

Brian Scheetz motioned to approve the Ponvert permit application to change the color of the garage from white to green. Mary Pat Mazzola seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:17p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Bridget Gallant

Administrative Officer