VILLAGE OF OLD BENNINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES (draft) FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 10th, 2022

Members present:

Nancy Coseo – Chair, Galen Jones - Vice Chair, Carl Feltz, Brian Scheetz, Mary Pat

Mazzola

Members absent:

NA

Administrative Officer candidate: Bridget Gallant

Community Members present: None

The Village of Old Bennington Planning Commission was called to order at 7:02 PM. There were no public comments not related to the agenda.

Galen Jones motioned that the Commission accept the minutes from the 9/12/2022 meeting. Carl Feltz seconded the motion. The Commission voted to accept the motion unanimously.

Nancy Coseo informed the Commission that the Village Trustees had approved the hiring of Bridget Gallant for the post of Administrative Officer. Mary Pat Mazzola motioned that the Commission hire Ms. Gallant. Galen Jones seconded the motion. The Commission voted to accept the motion unanimously.

Nancy Coseo informed the Commission that research had shown that the restaurant at the 4 Chimneys Inn had remained in operation for time frames sufficient to prevent its authorization under the bylaws from lapsing, and that as a result the new owners of the property should not require a permit or bylaw change to continue its operation within its current footprint.

Nancy Coseo informed the Commission that a permit for temporary fencing for the Waloomsac Inn had been administratively approved, due to security concerns and Bennington police recommendations. Future permits for any structural changes would require permits.

Nancy Coseo informed the Commission that a permit application had been received from Warren Ponvert to paint an outbuilding / garage at 11 Monument Avenue. Brian Scheetz motioned that the Commission defer approval of the application until the

Administrative Officer could discuss the matter with Mr. Ponvert. Mary Pat Mazzola seconded, and the Commission voted to approve the motion unanimously. Brian Scheetz motioned to adjourn with Mary Pat Mazzola seconding and unanimous approval.

Committee adjourned at 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian Scheetz

Planning Commission Member