



**TOWN OF ST. JOHNSBURY**  
**Planning Commission St. Johnsbury, VT 05819**  
**Tuesday, January 21, 2020 7:00 PM – Regular Meeting**  
**Welcome Center – 51 Depot Square**  
***Minutes***

Confirm Quorum of Members Present:

Jim Brown, Chair ☒ Ben Copans, Vice chair ☒ Ed Behr, Clerk ☒ Bud Stevens ☐ Larry Dolan ☐

Others attending: ☒ ZA Paul Berlejung

1. Convene Regular Meeting, 7:02
2. Review Agenda, no changes
3. Public Comment, no public present
4. Approval of minutes, 11/19/19, Ed motion with noted edits, Ben 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. 12/17/19, Ed motion with noted edits, Ben second. Motion passed.
5. Town Admin report, Town budget moving forward, awaiting final approval by the SB. MPG, 30k for feasibility of regionalization of emerg. Services. New admin manager, Heather Alger. Working communities grant. NEK collaborative, working on grant application for 300k, Working Communities. Housing Commt., grants for building improvements, awarded in Mar., Apr. Code compliance, revenue YTD, 40k. Continuing work by ZA for landlord compliance. CUD, voters to decide in Mar., whether to join. Parking enforcement, Bob Holmes continues to do parking enforcement. Property re-appraisal, still on going. Construction projects, winter hold. New Ave apartments, redevelopment continues with hazardous materials abatement.
6. ZA Report, 40 properties not in compliance. Tickets will be issued. 92 permits, 32 went to DRB, 17 to DAC.
7. NFIP, National Flood Insurance Program, bylaw changes. Clean copy, final review work, additional changes, from Sacha Peeler. Finalize schedule for PC public hearing. Ben will add additional agreed upon changes to the bylaw changes. This will be ready as a clean copy for 02/21/2020 meeting. Ed will work on pros/cons of the changes. We will invite SB, town managers to our 02/21/2020 meeting for further input. Mar meeting to possibly include a motion to go to a public hearing with finalized bylaw changes from the PC. Ben will provide info concerning increased likelihood of floods.
8. Hold on replacing July 12, 2017, amendments, till finished with NFIP bylaw changes.
9. Bylaw matrix proposed changes work sheet, from March, 28, 2018. Looking ahead to PC work for 2020.
10. Other business. None.
11. Adjournment Motion by Ed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben. Motion passed. 8:55pm.