



# TOWN OF ST. JOHNSBURY

**Planning Commission**  
**St. Johnsbury, VT 05819**  
**Tuesday, 7/20/2021**  
**7:00pm PC Meeting**  
**Welcome Center**  
***Minutes***

Confirm Quorum of Members Present:

Jim Brown, Chair \_\_x\_\_ Ben Copans, Vice chair \_\_x\_\_ Ed Behr, Clerk \_\_x\_\_ Larry Dolan \_\_x\_\_ Open \_\_

Others attending: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Convene Meeting. - 7:03
2. Agenda changes. - Add election of officers for 2021-2022, just before other business. Discussed 1274 Main st change, did not change.
3. Public Comment. - None.
4. Minute's approval, 6/15/21. - Motion by Ed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ben, table 6/15/2021 meeting minutes. Motion passed.
5. Manager's Report. - Topics included, office hours, Main St redevelopment project, LVRT, Assessor's office hrs., Fire, Police depts., dispatch, DPW, Oak st drainage, Pleasant and Gilman CSO work, Portland scoping study, Eastern Ave, Pearl St enhancement project, some others.
6. ZA Report. – Topics included, permits, compliance certificates, possible businesses in town, DRB sign requests. Vacant structures, letters to owners.
7. Bylaws regarding sign lighting, signs, DCD, updating the details. Possible changes to bylaws. Proposed bylaws, changes, continued work. NVDA input from Irene Nagle. Process through to public hearing. Much appreciation expressed for Ed's work.
8. Energy amendment to town plan update. 1<sup>st</sup> public hearing. Pam Parker's request. Bylaws related to solar panels, solar fields. Pam Parker's letter to the SB. 2 Possible PC members will attend next Energy amendment hearing on 7/26/2021 at 5:30pm.
9. Replacing July 12, 2017, amendments: def of self-storage unit, freight storage containers, pet services, veterinary services, Sect 443: freight storage container. Public hearing info. Motion to SB public hearing. In SB hands. Chair will remind SB of their need to a public hearing on the forwardd bylaws.
10. 1274 Main St., Northern NE Conference, 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist, building conditions. Our involvement? VT statutes. - Lucis Weiss, climbing walls, interested in building. Discussed possible options to help attain the building. Parking issues.
11. Cannabis retail sales, bylaws related. - May happen at VT ST. level in October of this year.
12. Officers' election. – Ed nominated same officers, Larry seconded. Nomination approved.
13. Other business. Zone changes? – None.
14. Adjournment. Ed motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry. Motion passed. 8:51