

**WINCHESTER PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MARCH 22, 2021**

Meeting was called to order via Zoom at 7:12 pm by Chairman Jay Woolf

Roll Call: Present - Jay Woolf, Craig Van Ark, Lenelle Scholl, Lee Stengele and Town Chairman Joe Disciano

Not Present - John Melzer, Sulo Wainio (excused), Brian Logan (excused)

No Public was present

Quorum - Yes

It was certified the meeting was posted in compliance with public notice requirements.

Approval of Agenda - Motion - Lee Stengele, 2nd - Craig Van Ark, Approved

Approval of Minutes of February 22, 2021 Meeting - Motion - Craig Van Ark, 2nd - Lee Stengele, Approved

**CORRESPONDENCE** - Each correspondence will be addressed during discussion of agenda topics

**LAND USE PLAN**

Jay Woolf stated that after reviewing the Comprehensive Land Use Plan that there were corrections made and some rewording implemented. These corrections were then sent to Andrew Faust.

Jay Woolf read Resolution 2021-01 to the WPC members. Motion to accept - Craig Van Ark, 2nd - Lee Stengele, Approved

With this approval, the next step is to send Land Use Plan to Winchester Town Board. Town Board will post Land Use Plan on town website for a minimum of 30 days for public viewing. Town Board will choose a date for a public hearing to occur after 30 days of posting.

After public hearing, Town Board will vote on accepting Land Use Plan Ordinance. Town Board will then send report to NW Planning Commission to notify them of any changes Town Board may have made.

**JOINT BOAT ORDINANCE WITH PRESQUE ISLE ORDINANCE** - Tabled

## **STATE HISTORICAL LISTINGS**

Jay Woolf completed 2 questionnaires, one for Medicine Lodge and Bucks Divide Resorts to the State Historical Society.

There was discussion among WPC that there are more people interested in having their property considered for this list.

Jay Woolf stated that the Winchester Library is looking into the history of the town and that he would like to see the library's information mesh together with the historical sites project.

Jay Woolf requested a small budget for the Historical Sites Project from Town Board Supervisor Joe Disciano.

Craig Van Ark raised a question as to whether the state supplies signage for historical sites. Jay Woolf requested Town Board to have a discussion on signage and include in future agenda.

**ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** - Tabled

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Broadband - Craig Van Ark followed up with Vilas County Economic Development which has a Buddy Program. Craig will look into this to see if Winchester can partner up with neighboring towns.

Jay Woolf stated there are 2 suppliers for this, Charter and LPD Broadband and that there are 7 towns and 1 tribe signed up and the list is growing. Jay raised question as to what the state could cover and what the town would cover.

There is a survey on broadband coming out in April.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Craig Van Ark shared that more property is being purchased by Liz Uihlein, moving toward Winchester. It was discussed that maybe WPC inquire an understanding of her long term plans and objectives regarding this.

Craig Van Ark discussed economic development in Winchester. Ideas and suggestion were discussed as to attracting businesses to Winchester and incentives for new investors. Examples discussed were deferring property taxes for first five years, provide low interest rates for improvements and supplies for buildings and properties in Winchester.

WPC discussed the lack of rentals for visitors to the area, including Winchester.

**NEXT MEETING - APRIL 26, 2021, 7:00 PM - WINCHESTER TOWN HALL**

**ADJOURNMENT** - Motion - Lenelle Scholl, 2nd Lee Stengele, Approved  
8:04 pm