

TOWN OF NEWLAND
01/11/2024
PLANNING BOARD MEETING



ATTENDING:

PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS: Chair Nancy Davis, Vice-chair Theresa Foxx, Martha Hill, Nicole Hogan

ALDERMEN OF THE BOARD: Kenan Foxx, James Johnson

GUEST: Rick Flowe

STAFF: Town Administrator Bill Bailey, Town Clerk Mackenzie Tipton

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-chair Foxx made a motion to approve the December minutes; Nicole Hogan seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating aye.

Vice-chair Foxx made a motion to approve the agenda; Martha Hill seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating aye.

INTRODUCTION OF DRAFT ARTICLES

Rick reviewed the rules of procedure and articles one through six, highlighting that Article Four and The Rules of Procedure had changes made to them. Rick clarified that the term "council" was replaced with "board of aldermen" in the rules of procedure. Additionally, under Article Four, the planning board's size was reduced from seven to five members. Article Four was updated with a watermarked date to track any modifications made. Rick requested the planning board examine the articles for discussion at the February meeting. He also said that if everything goes according to the intended schedule, the governing board will take action in October. Rick clarified that articles four, five, and six are predominantly regulated by state laws, which restricts the extent to which they can be modified. Rick emphasized that these articles serve to safeguard property rights while simultaneously establishing standards.

Vice-chair Foxx asked when terms would be decided. Rick explained the structure of the terms, while Bill confirmed that they were on the upcoming agenda. Vice-chair Foxx asked about alternates. Rick recommended that the same individuals serve on both the board of adjustment and the planning board. Additionally, he suggested that the planning board should consist of seven members to ensure the availability of alternatives when necessary.

NEWLAND TOWN PLAN 2045

Rick highlighted that Tom is currently developing a plan and will additionally construct a survey to gather feedback from the public, which will be administered to the community in the upcoming weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-chair Foxx made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Martha Hill seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating aye.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.



Town Clerk, Mackenzie Tipton



Chair, Nancy Davis