

Town of Columbia
Regular Planning Board Meeting

July 17, 2024

The Town of Columbia Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting on July 17, 2024 at the Town Building.

Members Present: R. Bayzon; D. Rubin; R. Seamon; D. Kidder; B. Warner-Davis;
S. Dievendorf, alternate Others Present: E. Reed, Town of Columbia Board Member

Meeting called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Chairman R. Bayzon

Minutes of the Planning Board regular meeting held June 19, 2024 were approved as presented.

Chairman's Report:

1. No report from the Town of Columbia Zoning/Codes Officer R. Donley. Chairman Bayzon noted that R. Donley had forwarded K-Source building plans on Hoffman Road and Route 28 to the Herkimer County Planning Board for their consideration.

Communications and Reports:

1. Town Board meeting minutes are on line for review.
2. D. Rubin presented the following: The Village of West Winfield received information for developing a Solar Farm Law. 6/17/24 - West Winfield Star.
3. All members are now receiving training notifications directly by email from the New York State Planning Federation.

Old Business:

1. EDF Columbia Solar Project: No report. R. Seamon noted that the EDF website has a projected operational date of 2028.

Town of Columbia Comprehensive Plan:

1. D. Kidder is compiling demographic data.
2. B. Warner-Davis is working on a pollinator segment
3. S. Dievendorf has completed reformatting the 2018 Comprehensive Plan and is inputting changes to be made. R. Seamon is reviewing for edits needed.

4. D. Rubin and R. Bayzon worked extensively with R. Reichart of the Herkimer Oneida Counties Planning Program (HOCPP) on maps for the Comprehensive Plan. Planning Board members did a final review of the maps using the town's smart board and agreed that the sixteen maps presented will be included in the Comprehensive Plan. A notation on all maps states that maps were compiled for planning purposes by the Herkimer Oneida Counties Planning Program (HOCPP) and HOCPP makes no claim to the completeness or accuracy of data contained in the maps.

New Business:

Planning Board members discussed the procedure for approval and posting of Planning Board minutes.

Town of Columbia Planning Board Resolution was presented by Member B. Warner-Davis and seconded by Member R. Seamon

Resolution:

Town of Columbia Planning Board meeting minutes will be posted by the Secretary for review and acceptance by the Town of Columbia Planning Board members within a two week period of the meetings. Minutes will then be forwarded to the Town of Columbia webmaster for posting on the Town of Columbia website.

Ayes: 5 R. Bayzon; D. Rubin; R. Seamon; D. Kidder; B. Warner-Davis

Nays: 0 none

Board and Public Discussion:

Chairman Bayzon adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Next meeting: August 21 , 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Kidder

Secretary

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