

Town of Columbia
Regular Planning Board Meeting

September 18, 2024

The Town of Columbia Planning Board held its regular monthly meeting on September 18, 2024 at the Town Building.

Members Present: R. Bayzon; D. Rubin; R. Seamon; D. Kidder; B. Warner-Davis;

Absent: S. Dievendorf, alternate Others Present: none

Meeting called to order at 7:13 p.m. by Chairman R. Bayzon

Minutes of the Planning Board regular meeting held August 19, 2024 were approved by both email and at the meeting as presented.

Chairman's Report:

1. No report from the Town of Columbia Zoning/Codes Officer R. Donley.
2. Chairman Bayzon has fielded questions from community members and made referrals as appropriate.
3. The Town Clerk supplied a listing of documents to be retained.
4. Chairman Bayzon has reviewed laws concerning right of way in subdivisions. The Planning Board will follow the guideline of 66 feet, as it is deemed best when considering space for safety vehicles.

Communications and Reports:

1. D. Kidder distributed the preliminary town budget. A public hearing will take place at the Town Building on October 10, 2024 at 6:40.

Old Business:

1. EDF Columbia Solar Project: No report.

Town of Columbia Comprehensive Plan:

1. B. Warner-Davis presented a segment on pollinators to include in the wildlife section of the Comprehensive Plan.
2. D. Kidder provided an addition to be added to the water resources section.

3. A motion was made and approved unanimously authorizing the expenditure of \$164.87 as presented from the Herkimer Oneida Counties Comprehensive Planning Program (HOCCPP). This expenditure is for the maps prepared by HOCCPP for the Comprehensive Plan.
4. The members reviewed the notes received from B. Wisniewski, Town of Columbia consulting attorney. The notes will inform revisions to the Comprehensive Plan.

New Business:

none

Board and Public Discussion:

Chairman Bayzon adjourned the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Next meeting: October 16, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Kidder

Secretary

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