

**Town of Corinth  
Planning Commission Meeting  
October 4, 2018**

**ATTENDEES:**

Planning Commission (PC): Dick Kelley, Chair; Kerry DeWolfe; Patty Rizzo; Russ Pazdro: Others: Tim O'Dell, Victoria Littlefield, and approximately 20 community members

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm

1. Public Hearing: The Chair modified the agenda and the public hearing on the Town Plan, currently being drafted by the PC was begun. A brief explanation of the process was described by T Littlefield, the Two Rivers Consultant assisting the PC. Members of the public had questions and comments about the process. It was suggested that the PC prepare a handout for distribution at the next hearing which sets forth the interrelationship of the Town planning process and the State and Regional laws, regulations and plans so that the limitations and requirements can be readily understood.

Community members expressed concern about number of topics which included the following: whether the East Corinth Water/Sewer situation would be addressed in the plan; Economic development and the different roles of the Town plan and a potential zoning ordinance; the larger area's experience with the "New Vista" plan of a single wealthy developer and the potential effect of the Town Plan on such a plan; there was considerable discussion Act 174 and the Town's enhanced Energy Plan and the Town's ability to control the size and location of renewable energy projects. Town resident Anne Margolis is an expert in this area and expressed a willingness to work with the PC to draft a Plan that conforms to the law and maximizes the Plan's effectiveness. Residents expressed concerns relating to the clean-up of decommissioned energy projects, the exemption of residential solar projects from limits by the town and the need to consider whether a renewal energy project is a cooperative project of individuals as opposed to a corporation. Community members discussed the possible desirability of growth and providing cluster type housing to attract new families to insure a supply a children for the school versus the desire to stay the same. Finally, the need for after school care was brought to the attention of the committee. The Maple Sugar Pre-School which had provided this service to the community for a number of years recently closed. Families needing this service are struggling to find a solution.

The public hearing was concluded at approximately 8:10 and the PC took a socialization break. The meeting reconvened at approximately 8:40

2. Minutes. RP moved to accept the minutes from the September 6, 2018 meeting. KD seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Correspondence: None
4. New Business: None
5. Town Plan: The PC discussed the remaining work and the Town Plan and a tentative schedule for completion of the work. The PC decided that addition meetings to work on the Plan will be held on the third Thursday in the months of November, January, February and March to ensure completion of a final draft by June 1, 2018.
6. Adjournment: PR moved to adjourn the meeting. KD seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:55

Submitted by Kerry DeWolfe