

Minutes
Town of Essex Planning Board
Organizational Meeting
January 5, 2021
7:00 PM

Meeting was held remotely and was recorded. Recording, transcript, and minutes are available at www.essexnewyork.gov.

Call to Order

Acting Chairman Hislop opened the meeting at 7:04 PM.

Attendance: Anh Thu Cunnion, David Hislop, Gladys Person, Jonathan Pribble, Anita Shapiro, Tom Stransky, Mark Walker, Jacqueline Thomas (Secretary)

Recommendation of Chairperson

By roll call vote (aye-6 no-0 abstain-1 [Hislop]) the Planning Board recommends to the Essex Town Board, David Hislop as Planning Board Chairman for the calendar year 2021.

Appointment of Vice-Chairperson

By roll call vote (aye-6 no-0 abstain-1 [Stransky]) the Planning Board appoints Tom Stransky as Vice-Chairman for the calendar year 2021.

Recommendation of Secretary

By roll call vote (aye-7 no-0) the Planning Board recommends to the Essex Town Board, Jacqueline Thomas as Planning Board Secretary for the calendar year 2021.

The Planning Board will meet monthly on the third Thursday at 7 PM.

There will be an informal meeting prior to the regularly scheduled monthly meeting for anyone who wants to discuss the application process and/or what is needed for their project. Appointments need to be made ahead of time with the Secretary. Three board members will be in attendance. Volunteers for the January 21 meeting are Acting Chairman Hislop, Vice-Chairman Stransky, and Mrs. Shapiro. Mr. Walker is available if needed.

There is interest in having a yearly meeting with Planning Board and Town Board members. Maybe it will be possible in Spring.

Meeting minute options were discussed. The video and transcript meet the requirement according the Governor's order. Are abbreviated minutes showing motions and voting info enough or do we want full version minutes? This is a work in progress. The video, transcript, and minutes will be posted to the town web site.

There were no comments on the By-Laws. The secretary will email a copy of the By-Laws to all board members.

Acting Chairman Hislop suggested Air BNB's, applications for projects already started or completed, and the Chimney Point project as things to think about for upcoming meetings. Vice-Chairman Stransky asked that the Planning Board be involved in any Marina updates. Mr. Hughes confirmed that will happen.

Adjourn

Acting Chairman Hislop adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Jacqueline Thomas
Secretary