

**Egremont Planning Board Meeting Minutes
July 19, 2023**

Call to order: 10:02 AM

Planning Board: Jared Kelly (JK), Chairman; Matthew Bersani (MB), Secretary; Mary McGurn (MM); Stephen Lyle (SL); Eddie Regendahl (ER), Vice Chairman absent.

Citizens in Attendance: Eileen Vining (EV)

Form A's: None

Mail: None

Minutes: Adopted minutes for the following dates by 4-0 vote:

March 2, March 15, May 11, May 23, and July 5 2023

Citizen's Time: None

Updates and Discussion:

Request for Proposal (RFP)

- It has come to JK's attention that there is no need for a formal bidding process. The Town could assign the Zoning project to a State approved provider.
- MM pointed out this is correct, but we still need the RFP if the Board endorses this approach. Not required will be bids/interviews/public notice.
- Based on this, the Board agreed that Emily Innes (consultant for the Comprehensive Plan) is someone JK should speak with regarding her availability and experience in creating zoning bylaws. The Board considers Innes a good fit, given the positive feedback on her performance and the inherent efficiencies from her familiarity with the Town, the Planning Board, and the recommended zoning actions detailed in the Comprehensive Plan.

Comprehensive Plan (CP)

- The July 17, 2023, meeting of the CP Advisory Committee led to tweaks to the vision statement.
- Some discussion among CP members ensued on whether a committee overseeing implementation is needed. No consensus/ decision was reached.
- Monday, July 24, 2023, at 5 PM is the final meeting for the CP Advisory Committee to discuss the Comprehensive Plan (with consultant Emily Innes in attendance).
- Emily Innes will provide a final draft for the Board for discussion at the August 2, 2023, meeting.

Future Meetings: July 24 and August 2, 2023 at 10 AM

Adjourned: 11:05 AM