

ALEXANDRIA PLANNING BOARD  
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MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Bryan Richardson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Also present were Members Marla Walls, Gary Tomlinson, Harold Platts, David Lheureux, Merry Ruggirello (arrived 6:05pm), Selectmen's Representative Chet Caron and Alternates Ed Skroback and Alyssa Dunn. Also present were Colin Brown, Jan Conner, David Conner and George Tuthill. A quorum was present.

Alternate Alyssa Dunn was asked to sit in for Member Merry Ruggirello until she arrived.

**Minutes**

April 19, 2023

Gary made a motion to accept the minutes as written; David seconded. All were in favor; none opposed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

PUBLIC HEARING FOR BOUNDARY LINE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE TOWN OF ALEXANDRIA AND LESLIE M. STEINER REVOCABLE TRUST

The properties are located on West Shore Road, Tax Map #201, Lots 95 and 96. The application was reviewed for completeness. Marla made a motion to accept the application as complete; Gary seconded. All were in favor; none opposed. The public hearing was opened. Colin Brown presented the application. Colin informed the Board the very first cottage on the right side in the Ledges (red cottage) is on the Town of Alexandria's property. Parcel A and Parcel B on the plat will be annexed to the owner of the cottage. He mentioned there are a bunch of little lots from this one into Hebron that are 60-80' wide. The cottage has been on this location for a long time. Just a few years ago it was discovered that the property is actually owned by the Town of Alexandria. The property isn't beneficial to the Town. The Town attorney advised the Town to complete the boundary line adjustment to correct the situation. The owner of the cottage has agreed to pay for Colin's services as well as the legal fees. Abutter Jan Conner was present but had no concerns about the boundary line adjustment. David made a motion to approve the boundary line adjustment; Merry seconded. All were in favor; none opposed. The public hearing was closed. The mylar was signed, which Colin agreed to file with the Grafton County Registry of Deeds. 3 copies of the plat, as well as the appropriate fees, were given to the Planning Board Clerk.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION (LRPC)

Gary reported that he and George Tuthill attended the most recent LRPC and 2 main topics were addressed. The first was a push for better internet access in order to attract businesses to the area. He mentioned there is a lot of federal funds available and that LRPC is looking into this. The second topic addressed projected housing needs (fair share affordable housing). Gary provided a handout to Board Members. The handout shows that the push is for Alexandria to have a 49% increase in affordable homes. Gary mentioned that not having public septic or public water results in developers not being interested in Alexandria due to the additional costs of individual septic and water systems. The LRPC Annual Meeting will be held June 26.

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CONSERVATION COMMISSION – Merry informed the Board that the Conservation Commission will be meeting next week. Also they have begun Saturday morning roadside trash pickup, which is the first Saturday of the month. It was also mentioned that the kiosk is up at the Pittman lot.

Haynes Library – It was mentioned that steps are being taken to obtain insurance for the Library in order for the Board of Trustees to move forward.

House Bill 349 – Bryan informed the Board that he has been very involved with the House Bill 349. The bill was passed by the House. It went before the Senate Education Committee. Gordon proposed an amendment that states the four towns have until July 1, 2025 instead of the original 4 years to make the decision if they wish to pull out of SAU4. The bill passed the Education Committee in the Senate with the amendment. Now it will go back to the House with the amendment and after that to the Governor.

There was no other business brought before the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Merry made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm; Marla seconded. The next Planning Board meeting will be held Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Melanie Marzola, Planning Board Clerk