

**Starks Planning Board Meeting**  
**April 5, 2023**

**Present:** Gwen Hilton, Ken Lust, Claire Nelson, Joe Hartigan, Eric Hoar, Tiffany Bellefleur

**Guests:** Maggie and Byrne Wright

Adequate public notice was given of the meeting, a quorum was present, and no conflicts of interest or bias were reported.

**Old Business:** The minutes of the February 1, 2023, meeting were approved by unanimous consent

**New Business:**

*Site Plan Review Ordinance*

The proposed revision to the Town's Site Plan Review Ordinance, primarily related to the construction of Solar Energy Facilities, was approved at the March 11, 2023 Annual Town Meeting. An addendum to the Site Plan Review Application will direct potential solar facilities applicants to the related standards in the Ordinance.

*Subdivision Application*

The Board anticipates holding a pre-application conference at its May meeting regarding a 9-lot subdivision being proposed on the Sawyers Mills Road

*Enforcement Issues*

The CEO is investigating possible violations of existing Ordinances of;

- a property adjacent to the Branns Mill Road
- the operation of a firing range on Locke Hill Road

*Planning Board membership updates*

In accordance with Section IV, A (Organization) of its By-Laws, the Board elected officers for the upcoming year. A motion was made and carried to re-elect the existing slate of officers.

Chair: Gwen Hilton

Vice Chair: Ken Lust

Secretary: Claire Nelson

Eric Hoar announced his intention to submit his resignation. The Selectmen will be asked to appoint Tiffany Bellefleur, currently an alternate, to serve as a member and to reappoint Claire Nelson whose term is schedule to expire. Byrne Wright expressed interest in joining the Board as an alternate and will be referred to the Select Board.

*Building Ordinance*

A decision was made to revisit the existing Building Ordinance, to which the Planning Board's proposed changes were defeated in a 2022 referendum.

Adjourn: 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Claire Nelson, Secretary