

**PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**TOWN of DAMARISCOTTA**  
**June 14, 2021 6:00 P.M**

**MEMBERS:** Jonathan Eaton, Chairperson; Jenny Begin, Neil Genthner, Wilder Hunt and Ann Jackson

**ALTERNATES:** Dan Day, Gary Rosenthal

**ABSENTEES:** Jenny Begin and Gary Rosenthal

**STAFF PRESENT:** Robert Faunce, Town Planner; Lynda Letteney, Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Peter Ebanks

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by **Chairperson Eaton** Pledge was dispensed with as meeting was via Zoom and no flag was present.

**On motion (Hunt/Genthner) to install Dan Day as a voting member for this meeting, replacing Jenny Begin. Vote: 4-0-0**

**II. MINUTES**

**On motion (Genthner/Jackson) to approve the minutes of 5/3/21 as distributed. Vote: 4-0-1 (Hunt abstaining - absent 5/3/21)**

**III. BUSINESS MEETING**

**A. OLD BUSINESS**

**1. Jamaican Grocery Store – 88 Main Street**

**Bob** opened the discussion saying that Stan Waltz had done a couple walk-throughs already. The Historic District Commission has reviewed the application and approved it. The store has been at this site for some time. Site Plan review is what needs to be done. **Jon Eaton** asked if a site visit was necessary since all they did was move a deck. **Dan Day** said all they did was hire a crew to move it across the street. **Bob** said it was classified as a restaurant because people are eating out there. **Jonathan** said he felt the Planning Board's place is to approve the site. **Bob Faunce** said he hadn't prepared the "findings of fact" sheet yet. There were waivers requested on the application. However, nothing is being done except moving the deck. It is at the discretion of the Planning Board whether or not to hold a public hearing. **Neil Genthner** said there didn't seem to be any issues except maybe the 7500 sq. ft. and it is less than 7500 sq. ft **Bob** reiterated that the option for a public hearing is up to the Board. **Dan Day** said it is not inside; very small capacity; all orders are "to go" with disposable utensils and paper goods. **Jonathan** felt they should hold a public hearing in case any neighbors had an issues. He felt they could schedule the hearing for the next regular meeting, July 12<sup>th</sup>, and vote at that meeting as well. **Ann Jackson** agreed. **Jonathan** said there had been some complaints about the smoker early on, but none recently. **Dan Day** asked if everything was approved July 12<sup>th</sup>, is it okay to use right away. After all, he said, there are at least three other smokers in Town.

**B. NEW BUSINESS: None**

**C. OTHER**

**1. Questions from the Public - None**

**2. Housekeeping – None**

**3. Planner’s Report- Bob** said he got an application request for a solar farm. He is unsure if it will be ready by July 12<sup>th</sup>. They also may be getting an application for a bakery. **Jonathan** asked if Bob knew how big the solar farm is planning to be. **Neil Genthner** asked if Nobleboro has ordinances regarding solar farms. **Bob** said he was waiting for details to make sure it conforms to the ordinance. On another note, Damariscotta River Grill is adding a deck on the rear of the building. The Grill is an old building with a new addition. The addition is not part of the historic district and therefore Planning Board approval is not necessary.

**D. Adjournment**

**On motion (Genthner/Hunt) to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lynda Letteney  
Recording Secretary

**We the undersigned approve the minutes for the Planning Board Meeting of June 14, 2021.**

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**Jonathan Eaton, Chairperson**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Absent** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Jenny Begin**

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**Neil Genthner**

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**Wilder Hunt**

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**Ann Jackson**

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**Daniel Day (alternate)**

**Minutes for (6/14/21) signed** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

