

Town of Becket Planning Board 557 Main Street Becket, Massachusetts 01223 (413) 623-8934 ext. 120 fax (413) 623-6036

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October 11, 2023 Minutes

Board members in attendance: Robert Ronzio, Alvin Blake, Gale LaBelle, Howard Lerner on phone. Ann

Krawet joins the meeting at 6:35

Administrative Assistant: Susan Crossley

Public in attendance: Larry Goetz, Patrick McColgan/ Taconic Land Consultants

Public in attendance on Zoom: Robin Mathiesen

Call to order: Chairman Ronzio calls the meeting to order and reads the rules of the meeting at 6:09 PM due to waiting for a quorum.

Board to review and approve minutes of September 13, 2023: Mr. Ronzio moves the approval until the end of the meeting. Minutes of the September 13th meeting were approved as written at the end of the meeting. Motion made by Alvin Blake seconded by Ann Krawet. Mr. Ronzio calls for a roll call vote:

Alvin Blake – aye Ann Krawet – aye Robert Ronzio – aye

New Business: Form A application from Becket Hills Preserve LLC for 377 Loose Tooth Rd. to reconfigure Map/Lot: 404/22,23,24. Mr. Patrick McColgan presents the Form A to the board. The board has no questions for the applicant. Alvin Blake makes the motion to accept the Form A. Howard Lerner seconds the motion. Ms. LaBelle joins the meeting at which time Mr. Lerner leaves. After Mr. Ronzio explains the application to Ms. LaBelle, he calls for another motion to be made, Mr. Blake again makes the motion and Ms. LaBelle seconds it. Mr. Ronzio calls for a roll call vote:

Alvin Blake – aye Gale LaBelle – aye Robert Ronzio – aye

Form A is accepted by the board unanimously.

Mr. Lerner leaves the meeting at 6:25PM

Old Business: Short term rental rules and regulation. Mr. Blake submitted the rules and regulations that the town of Lee has adopted for the board to go over. The board goes over the document line by line and makes changes to make it more applicable to Becket. Ms. Crossley will update the document with the changes that the board discusses and the board will go over them. The board states this is a good starting point to work on the STR rules for the town of Becket and will keep discussing it. The



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board feels there is still more to refine before presenting the document to the public. Mr. Ronzio thanks Mr. Larry Goetz for his input on the discussion tonight, it was very insightful and helpful. **Correspondence:** Board goes over the correspondence from the towns of Blandford, Washington and Otis.

Other Business to come before the board: Mr. Ronzio brings up the email from James Levy resigning from the Planning Board. Mr. Levy is no longer able to devote the time needed to the board. Ms. Krawet makes the motion to accept the resignation and Mr. Blake seconds the motion, Mr. Ronzio calls for a vote.

Ann Krawet – aye

Alvin Blake – aye

Gale LaBelle – aye

Robert Ronzio – aye

Ms. Crossley has forwarded the email to the Town Administrator and the Town Administrative Assistant so it can be given to the Select Board. Ms. Krawet will draft a response to Mr. Levy.

Mr. Ronzio would like the board to fill the Vice-Chairman position on the board vacated by Mr. Levy.

Ms. LaBelle makes the motion to appoint Alvin Blake as Vice Chair and Ms. Krawet seconds the motion.

Mr. Blake accepts the nomination. Mr. Ronzio calls for a vote.

Ann Krawet – aye

Alvin Blake – aye

Gale LaBelle – aye

Robert Ronzio – aye

Mr. Ronzio would also like the Clerk Pro-Tem position filled. Mr. Blake states he will stay in that position for the time being until another member is named to the board.

Adjournment: Mr. Blake makes the motion to adjourn the meeting Ms. LaBelle seconds the motion.

Mr. Ronzio calls for a vote.

Ann Krawet – aye

Alvin Blake – aye

Gale LaBelle – aye

Robert Ronzio – aye

Meeting is adjourned at 8:20PM



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Respectfully submitted:	
Susan Crossley, Administrative Assistant	
Robert Ronzio, Chair	
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Ann Krawet, Clerk	Alvin Blake, Vice Chair/Clerk Pro Tem
Howard Lerner	Gale LaBelle