

Pomfret Planning Commission

Meeting 2/03/25 7 pm.

Pomfret, VT.

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Present: John Moore, Cy Benoit, Doug Tuthill, Bill Emmons, Nelson Lamson, Tyler Wellington.

Absent:

Guests:

Call To Order/Agenda Changes/Public Comment:

Bill Emmons called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Public Comment. None.

Nelson Lamson Motioned and CY Benoit 2nd to approve the minutes of 1/06/25 Motion carried.

Discussion on to delay or expedite our 2nd hearing and to pass on to the Selectboard. It appears there will likely be delays in all the tiers and even on schedule it won't be till the end of 2026 before they get to the Land Use Review Board. We concluded to move out draft town plan.

Billy reported that Peter Gregory is working with the administration in Montpelier try and figure out how to navigate changes in Washington.

We will be meeting on Feb 17 President's Day.

Billy to contact Preston to attend by zoom if necessary otherwise a written email makes sense

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted John Moore

Preston Bristow report attached.

Hi Bill -

I will not be able to attend Monday's Planning Commission meeting. I will be traveling with Trees & Seeds on a service trip to the California redwoods (far from the LA fires) next week.

I began work last Friday, January 24. I have since had a phone conversation with Bailey Markwell and met with the folks at Abracadabra. More on that later. Karen made me aware of 4 pending applications, who I have reached out to, including a major subdivision application by the Reynolds family on Sessions Lane that will have to go before the Planning Commission.

Becky made me aware to 6 applications received in the past year for which she has not received a permit for recording. I reached out to those applicants and 4 have responded saying that they received verbal permission to proceed but did not receive a permit. Although they may be "deemed approval" permits, I intend to issue permits to document for posterity that these applicants did the right thing and played by the rules.

I have also received one new application, so 11 applications in all to process, plus a certificate of compliance for Abracadabra. There is nothing yet that strikes me as intractable or overwhelming.

Preston Bristow

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