Berlin, VT
Planning Commission Meeting
April 22, 2020
7:00 PM

APPROVED MINUTES

Planning Commissioner Members Present: Karla Nuissl (KN), Polly McMurtry (PM), David Huber (DH), Jacob Coakwell (JC)

Absent: Jared Felch (JF)

Others: Brandy Saxton (BS), JC Earle (JC) and Thomas Badowski (TB).

7:00 PM Call to Order by Chair Nuissl

Berlin Town Center (BTC)
Virtual Workshop – BS shared the nearly fully constructed Berlin Town Center Virtual Workshop (BTCVW) website at https://placesense.com/berlin/. BS took the Commission on a “tour” of BTC into “Getting Around” BTC, “Things To Do” in BTC and “Look and Feel” of BTC. Many questions were raised. The general sense was that the BTCVW was exciting but will constituency be able to navigate it on their own.

BS scheduling May 1, 2020, to roll out BTCVW to general public and wants PC comments by April 27, 2020. BS will add video introductions by PC and Staff, establish a schedule of Front Porch Forum posts by PC and research current photos of existing BTC buildings and infrastructure.

TB/BS to schedule meetings with other Berlin standing committees to share BTCVW

Village Wastewater Solutions – Riverton
JC introduced himself as a Riverton resident interested in wastewater project. KN welcomed him to the discussion. TB distributed in advance copies of the DRAFT AARP Grant Application for a decentralized wastewater system (DWS). Needed edits and clarifications were discussed.

TB expressed a concern that little input from Riverton residents/property owners in the project has been received to date. He suggested pulling the grant for this funding cycle. JC suggested COVID a likely culprit to the community’s inattentiveness and thought that the application submittal should go forward. Staff directed to continue application for May 15, 2020, and final disposition will be made at the May 13, 2020, PC meeting.

Next Meeting
May 13, 2020

Adjourn Chair KN adjourned at 8:32 PM