

Plympton Bylaw Review Committee Minutes for December 6th, 2018 6:30 PM, Small Meeting Room

The meeting, having been duly posted with an agenda, was opened by Chair, Alan Wheelock at 6:42 PM.

Committee Members Present: Ted Taranto, Kim Russo, Ken Thompson, Ann Sobolewski, Dave Alberti, and Alan Wheelock. Regrets: Amy Cronin, Jean Cohen Guests: None

1. Minutes Approval. The minutes from the November 15th meeting, submitted by Alan Wheelock, were approved as written.

2. Subcommittee Updates on the Allowed Uses Table. At previous meetings, the Committee had agreed to divide itself into three subcommittees in order to facilitate the review and updating of the Town's **Allowed Uses Table** – one of the most important sections of the existing By-law document.

The working subcommittees for **Allowed Uses** are as follows:

- Commercial Uses Ann, Kim and Ted
- Residential Uses Alan, Amy, and Jean
- Industrial Ken and Dave.

Updates from these Committees were as follows:

There were no new updates from the subcommittees. However, members present agreed unanimously to commit that the work on the updates to all sections of the **Schedule of Allowed Uses** can be completed by the end of January. This includes developing Definitions for all allowed land uses. Currently, only a fraction of allowed land uses in the Plympton table are accompanied by clear definitions.

The Committee also discussed Plympton's current Solar Facilities By-law. These regulations were added to the town's Zoning By-laws several years ago, and can be found in Section 6, **General Regulations**. Solar facilities are addressed in Sections 6.10.1 through 6.10.5.7.3. The Committee agreed that, given the increasing success of the solar industry as a form of

alternative energy, this entire section of the By-Law should be reviewed and – if necessary – updated in time for this spring's Town Meeting.

Next Meeting: The first scheduled meeting of the new year will be January 3rd at 6:30 PM. The second meeting in January will take place on January 17th. Meetings are typically held every 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Alan Wheelock at 8:15 pm.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Alan Wheelock.