# Temple Community Planning Committee (TCPC) February 24, 2020 7 PM DRAFT Minutes

**Attendees:** Ivy Bibler, Gail Cromwell, Jessica Hipp, Adie Krulis, Eleanor Krulis, Dana Nowell, Tedd Petro, Christine Robidoux, Bill Torphy, Vivian Wells

C. Robidoux called the meeting to order at 7:08.

### **Review and Approve Minutes**

The committee reviewed draft minutes from the December 10, 2019 meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.

The committee reviewed draft minutes from the January 21, 2020 meeting. Minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Old Business**

- I. Bibler gave an update regarding the physical message board/sign in the Town Center. She made several calls to Northroad Wood Signs, but hasn't succeeded in connecting. The next step is to contact other sign makers.
- J. Hipp has researched available communication channels in Temple. C. Robidoux and J. Hipp will compile a guide for town volunteers to publicize events and information through the various channels.

#### **Broadband**

J. Hipp and D. Nowell provided an update on a survey of Temple residents about broadband needs and availability. Based on the recommendation of other towns, we will do the survey then do an official RFI to Internet Service Providers. The Committee reviewed the survey and with a minor wording clarification, the survey was unanimously approved.

A representative from Consolidated Communications will present about their capabilities and approach to working with other local towns at the Select Board Meeting on Tuesday, February 25. Representatives from Comcast and TDS have been invited to present but have not yet responded.

The committee discussed the Planning Board Zoning Proposals. C. Robidoux provided the update that the proposals will not be put on the ballot this year. T. Petro commented that the Planning Board is working to determine next steps. Talking to the community is a priority.

The committee discussed recent presentations by George Reagan of the New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority, and Lisa Murphy of the Southwest Region Planning Commission. The committee discussed how to bring more education options so residents can understand available options. Any zoning changes will change the nature of our town. We don't want to lose the positive aspects of our town.

The committee discussed whether we want to bring someone in from outside to facilitate community conversations to understand who we are and who we want to be. A Municipal Technical Assistance

Grant is available for this work. Grant amounts typically range from \$5K-\$20K. Grants are awarded on a rolling basis. The committee also discussed connecting with resources including the New Hampshire Listens program through UNH and Ian McSweeney of Agrarian Trust.

#### **Before/After School Care**

V. Wills invited Kimberly Sell from TES to join the TCPC. Kimberly was not able to attend this meeting.

#### **Census Info**

C. Robidoux reported that someone spoke at the Wilton ambulance meeting regarding the Census. Census responses affects funding opportunities for infrastructure. There will be a Census table set up at Town Meeting.

## **Plan NH Membership**

The committee discussed whether to pay for a Plan NH membership, which costs \$150 for a municipal body. Membership offers discounted tickets events for up to 3 people at a time. There is money in the TCPC budget to cover the membership. The committee voted and unanimously approved joining Plan NH.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Select Board Meeting (February 25<sup>th</sup>)
- NHMA Affordable Housing Webinar (February 26<sup>th</sup>)
- NH Housing Home Ownership Conference (March 3<sup>rd</sup>)
- Temple Planning Board Meeting (March 4<sup>th</sup>)
- VOTE (March 10<sup>th)</sup>
- Broadband Subcommittee (March 10<sup>th</sup>, 7pm)
- Town Meeting (March 14<sup>th</sup>)
- Community Planning Committee Tuesday, March 17th, 2020, 7pm

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Jessica Hipp.