

# Town Land Use Committee

## Minutes

### Meeting of December 19, 2022

Chairman Tim Fiske called the meeting to order at 5:30.

Present: Chairman Fiske, Christine Robidoux, Lilliane LeBel, George Willard, Kathy Boot, Scott Hecker, Gail Cromwell. Guest: Connie Kieley

Tim asked for a moment of silence for Honey Hastings. Several members suggested that the Triangle Garden (at the split of Route 45 and Hadley Highway) be named in honor of Honey. It was her idea from the beginning and has become an attractive addition to the town landscape.

The Minutes of December 5 were approved with several amendments.

An extended discussion was held on the best way to inform the town of the issues involved with the present highway garage location. Lilliane had prepared talking points on the problems of safety and parking that exist now as well as the deficiencies of the present highway garage. It was decided to prepare two different flyers, the first to concentrate on the safety and parking problems, put in the mail on approximately January 19, then follow with a flyer on the highway garage issues on February 2. On February 23 a Forum would be held for the town to raise questions and discuss. A longer Summary Report would be prepared and made available for residents on the town website and printed for pickup at various locations.

Connie and Lilliane will work on preparing these flyers.

A possible Warrant Article was discussed with Scott Hecker offering an improvement. The new wording would read as follows:

To see if the town will vote to approve a 5-acre portion of a 65-acre town-owned lot 7A-36 (formally known as the Skladany land) that is behind but abuts lot 7A-36-1 formally known as the Holt property) as the new location for the Highway Department.

An additional sentence may be needed: and to authorize site work to begin, using the previously voted Highway Department Study Expendable Capital Reserve Fund (2021) and the Highway Department Building and Construction Expendable Capital Reserve Fund (2022). A town attorney should be consulted on this, possibly even the DRA (Department of Revenue Administration.)

Our next meeting will be on Monday January 9 at 5:30.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Attach: Lilliane's talking points