Minutes of the 3 March 2021 Clifton Maine Planning Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order in the town office building at approximately 6:11 p.m. Present were Chairperson Bruce Jellison, Vice Chairperson David Cogdell, member Vern Campbell and alternate member Bruce Davis. Member Julie LaVertue had earlier advised that she would be unable to attend. No other individuals were present in the building. The meeting was broadcast via Zoom, a copy of which may be obtained by contacting the town office.

Chairperson Bruce Jellison appointed alternate member Bruce Davis to be a member for this specific meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Upon a motion by Vern/Bruce Davis and a 4/0 vote, the minutes of the 10 February 2021 Planning Board meeting were approved.

As there were no items on the agenda, the members discussed the Clifton Land Use Ordinance (CLUO) and whether the Board needed to look at updating/revising the ordinance. While there were no matters requiring immediate action, the consensus was that there were some aspects that could be tightened up or reorganized for better clarity and ease of use.

There was a discussion on whether the Board should think about drafting a recreational marijuana-related businesses ordinance if it appears the town would vote to allow such businesses. It was mentioned that the Maine Municipal Association occasional has seminars relating to that issue and that it would benefit Board members to attend.

There was also some discussion on the role of the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) and whether the Board might benefit from receiving periodic briefings and/or reports on his activities.

Upon a motion by Vern/David and a 4/0 vote, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m. to be followed by a meeting of the Comprehensive Plan Committee.

Minutes prepared by Vice Chairperson David Cogdell.