

# Plainfield Massachusetts

## Zoning Board of Appeals

Minutes

Aug. 20, 2020

Approved Dec. 17, 2020

**Members Present:** Peg Keller, Chair, Bill Latimer, and Joan Wattman.

### **Call to Order:**

Chair Keller called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the presence of a quorum. This meeting was held virtually, according to Open Meeting Laws related to the coronavirus.

Minutes from the prior meeting were approved as submitted.

### Discussion

- Members noted that they had not heard anything about the progress of the *27 Broom Street* project after it was transitioned over to the Planning Board.
- Members revisited the idea of a *Joint Board meeting* with the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and the Selectboard liaison to those boards, for a strategic planning session. It was noted that these boards/commissions play integral roles in how the community is developed/preserved. As members of the ZBA, we are not really aware of the overall town goals these entities are working to achieve.  
It was agreed that Peg would contact the Chairs of the other two boards to gauge their interest in such a gathering. If there is interest, the ZBA could take the lead in bringing everyone together for an informal discussion.
- *Notification of Canceled meetings/* Members discussed that even though the potential application load has been shifted significantly to the Planning Board, we should post notices each month if we are not going to meet. This will accomplish transparency and keep the presence of the Board visible and viable.

### Adjourn

There being no additional business to discuss, the meeting concluded at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peg Keller