

**Franklin Planning Commission
Homestead Dining Room
May 16, 2017**

Members Present: Clark Hubbard, Dave Bennion, Dan Larivee, Rolland Rainville and Maureen Sodaro, Secretary

Members Absent: Peter Kittell, Judith McLaughin, Cyrus Grennon

Guests:

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm

Approval of Minutes: Dave Bennion motioned to approve the April 2017 minutes, seconded by Rolland.

Old Business: Clark discussed with Taylor Newton via phone call regarding the changes we asked for at the April meeting to the Town Plan. The PC does not want changes regarding ditches, vista views and/or energy policies placed in the new plan. The PC only wanted to change the wording and grammar that was discussed at the April meeting.

The PC decided to wait on the election of officers until the June 2017 meeting. Clark asked the PC for advice on wording the energy portion of the plan. This will be worked on at a future meeting. The PC does not want to prevent personal energy development in town. The PC is concerned about commercial energy development in the town of Franklin. There is concern about whether or not the PC can prevent commercial energy development and the effect it would have on any neighbors to the development. The PC discussed the desire to have a voice if large energy development is proposed for the Town of Franklin. The PC also discussed small dams in the area and the hydropower that could be produced. Also discussed was the need to protect the town water sources, and the need to enforce town bylaws.

New Business:

No Comments from Public or PC members.

Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Dan. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 pm

The next regular meeting of the Franklin Planning Commission will be June 20, 2017 in the Homestead Dining Room.

Respectfully submitted,

May 17, 2017

Maureen Sodaro, Secretary

Note: These minutes are not final until approved by the Planning Commission at the next regular meeting.