

**HOPKINTON PLANNING BOARD REMOTE MEETING – APRIL 7, 2021
BUSINESS AGENDA**

**HOPKINTON TOWN HALL
1 TOWN HOUSE ROAD, HOPKINTON, RI 02833
7:00 P.M.**

**NOTICE
MEETING BEING HELD REMOTELY**

Understanding the people have a vested interest in the operation of their government, the Hopkinton Planning Board intends to allow the public to have input at their meetings. However, due to the COVID-19 virus, the Planning Board wants to be sure that everyone will do so safely from their own homes.

Planning Board Chairman Al DiOrio will run the meeting from the Town Council Chambers, with the Planning Board Clerk and Town Planner in attendance as well. No other individuals will be allowed inside the Town Council Chambers during the meeting. Members of the public can listen and participate in the proceedings in accordance with the customary Planning Board policy only by calling in to the numbers below. Interested parties may view development plans via the Town of Hopkinton web site (www.hopkintonri.org).

Public Comment Period – please call in by 7:00 PM. Toll free: 1-877-853-5247 or 1-888-788-0099. Enter the Meeting ID and #: 708-780-5899#.

To join meeting by computer:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89798760868?pwd=ejFDWTZWRHg1QWVVRVm9IVWF4eHVRZz09>

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Citizens wishing to speak during public forum:

By Phone: Dial *9 to “raise your hand” and wait for the meeting host to ask you to unmute. Once asked to unmute, dial *6 to unmute and speak.

By Computer: Click “raise hand” from within the Zoom “participants” window and wait for the meeting host to ask you to unmute. Once asked to unmute, press “unmute” to unmute and speak.

Please remember to state your name and address before speaking when making a public comment.

Please note: Because of ever-changing regulations due to the COVID-19 virus, this meeting may be cancelled. Please check the Town of Hopkinton website www.hopkintonri.org for updates on these meetings and other important Town or COVID-19 information.

Alfred W. DiOrio, Chairman
Hopkinton Planning Board

PLEASE NOTE: Documents related to the following agenda items can be viewed on the Town Website. To access documents:

- 1. Go to the homepage of the website.**
 - 2. Hover your mouse over "Meetings", then select "Minutes-and-Agendas".**
 - 3. Scroll down to April 2021, and find "Planning Board Meeting – REMOTE".**
 - 4. Click on "Documents Associated with this Agenda" to view plans and documents.**
- Questions? Call the Planning Office at (401) 377-7770. M-F, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRE-ROLL: Prospective Member Attendance for May 5, 2021

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 3, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

OLD BUSINESS:

Third Master Plan – Major Land Development Project – **Stone Ridge at Hopkinton** – AP 11, Lot 47A, 0 Palmer Circle. RI-95, LLC., applicant.

The Planning Board may discuss, consider, and possibly vote on this proposed Master Plan at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Master Plan Public Informational Hearing – Major Land Development Project – Photovoltaic Solar Energy System – **Comolli Solar** – AP 2, Lot 73, 0 Chase Hill Road, Unit 2. Centrica Business Solutions, applicant.

The Planning Board may discuss, consider, and possibly vote on this proposed Master Plan at this meeting.

Preliminary Plan – 2-Lot Minor Subdivision – AP 3, Lot 5E, 56 Tomaquag Road. Kenneth L. and Laura Taylor, applicants.

The Planning Board may discuss, consider, and possibly vote on this proposed Preliminary Plan at this meeting.

Pre-Application – Major Land Development Project – **Wood River Health Services Addition** – AP 14, Lot 47A, 823 Main Street. Wood River Health Services, applicant.

The Planning Board may discuss and informally exchange ideas with the applicant on their proposed addition to their existing Health Center, but no vote will be taken.

Pre-Application – Development Plan Review – Photovoltaic Solar Energy System - **Palmer Circle III** – AP 11, Lot 36, 0 Palmer Circle. Econox Renewables, Inc., applicant.

The Planning Board may discuss and informally exchange ideas with the applicant, but no vote will be taken.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT:

1. Revity Energy, LLC.’s appeal to the Hopkinton Zoning Board of Appeals was cancelled on February 18, 2021 due to a winter storm. It was continued to the March 18, 2021 meeting. At the March 18, 2021 meeting, the appeal was continued at the request of the applicant, who had a scheduling conflict. The Zoning Board of Appeals voted at that meeting to hear the appeal on April 22, 2021.

PLANNER’S REPORT:

Administrative Subdivision – AP 3, Lot 5E and AP 23, Lot 43, 40 and 56 Tomaquag Road. Kenneth L. and Laura Taylor (AP 3, Lot 5E), and Raymond and Katherine Taylor (AP 23, Lot 43), applicants.

CORRESPONDENCE AND UPDATES:

1. Letter from the Wood-Pawcatuck Wild and Scenic Rivers Council – 3-2-21 – RE: ‘Stone Ridge at Hopkinton’ Photovoltaic Solar Energy System Master Plan
2. Letter from Eric Bibler – 3-12-21 – RE: Public Records Request
3. Letter from Eric Bibler – 3-12-21 – RE: Apparent Conflicts of Interest and/or Attempts to Influence Decisions of the Hopkinton Planning Board
4. Letter from Eric Bibler – 3-16-21 – Additional Public Records Request
5. Letter from Eric Bibler – 3-19-21 – Procedures for Review and Approval of Skunk Hill Solar and Atlantic Solar
6. Letter from Eric Bibler – 3-21-21 – Ten Reasons Why the Town Council Should Prohibit Industrial Solar Installations on Farms
7. Letter from Lucas Marsh – 3-28-21 – A Farmer’s Support for the Farm Viability Act
8. Letter from Johanna Marsh – 3-28-21 – The Importance of Small Solar Arrays on Farms – From a Farmer’s Daughter

PUBLIC FORUM:

DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 5, 2021

ADJOURNMENT: (No later than 10:30 p.m.)

New applications will not be heard by the Planning Board after 10:15 p.m.

By: Talia Jalette, Senior Planning Clerk
Posted: 3/31/21