

The zoom meeting was called to order at 7:05.

Randy Williams, James Coe, Nella Cargioli Coe, Mariel Hess, Ann Creaven, Olivia Noel, Doug Safford and Liz Nelson were present. Mariel made a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting, seconded by Liz. Motion passed.

Randy said Nick Low, the lawyer, asked him to sign off on an affidavit saying we are in agreement with the development and history of the Green. Randy returned an updated affidavit back to him which Randy will again be asked to sign off on. This will be one more piece of evidence to show the court. The date of the court case is not in our control.

James and Nella reported that the civil engineer requested that we get an easement from the Fire Department for the drainage pipe that will go across their property. At the present, the rain water flows above ground to the river. It will be a pipe underground or an engineered swale across their property. Their next meeting will be next Tuesday. James and/or Nella offered to go to the meeting to explain this request for an easement. Olivia will ask Phil and Job about this.

James and Nella reported that Glover Day was great! People were very interested in the Glover Green project and even wanted to donate some money. We need a donate button on the webpage! Randy was happy with the big turnout and the smooth transition between new and old organizers.

Betsy Day and Nick Ecker Ratz did some research in the vault regarding letters in a "church box". Nothing of importance was found. Mariel asked when the case will come to court and the attorney said we never know.

Mariel asked "How can we proceed with bids?"

James and Nella talked with Brenda Plastridge, who works with the VT BBB, suggested that they not go out to bid but put out a "request of interest" and get a list of responders. The government does this all the time. We might get a list of 5 – 8 companies and it will give us the fall to get organized.

James and Nella said that the legal part needs to be done by Christmas to keep us on schedule. They asked VEC about buried lines which needs to be a dedicated service to the green. They didn't think there would be any issues with that. There will be a \$250. engineering fee. Ann observed it is good timing because we can get in early for next year's schedule.

Randy said that Nicole Groton at NVDA reminded him that Glover needs to update the Town plan by 2026. Randy will send out the information to us all so that the members of the Glover Planning Commission will be informed and can create a sub-committee to work on the update. The Plan goes on to the Selectboard to be approved. Mariel suggests this be on the agenda for the next meeting. This will include the Village Centers, the Town Green, the Glover Park and other pertinent issues like housing in Glover and perhaps situations like the tire dump. The state lists a wide variety of issues that need to be considered in the town plans. Nella commented that we should be aware of what our neighboring towns are doing.

Ann said that the energy committee will be applying for a grant for updating the town buildings' energy usage and conservation. That application is due September 20, 2024. Olivia mentioned that the Fire Department utilized ChatPT (AI) and found it to be excellent help in writing a grant.

Randy informed the Commission that he would like to hand off some of the responsibilities of the Chairmanship, and said that James and Nella would be willing to be Co-Chairs of the Planning Commission. Randy was unsure of the exact procedure for this transfer but all the members present supported this change. Everyone expressed their appreciation of Randy's tenure as Chairman over the years. He said he would like to continue being a member of the Planning Commission and Nella and James would like Randy to continue to act in an advisory capacity. We will bring this proposed change to the Selectboard for approval. Ann suggested that NVDA might know the procedure and Randy will check on that.

Olivia is helping Randy with the Farmer's Market in an advisory committee with Heidi Ecker-Racz and Angela Daniels.

Nella has talked with the Stones, the owners of the land that the tire dump is on. The Stones want to talk with the town about the future of that land. James and Nella have worked on other brown field projects where clean-ups have been funded by government funds. There are grant and low interest programs available to municipalities to clean up polluted sites. It would take a long time and Nella suggested that we have a meeting about this with the town. It's possible it might be a good place for some housing once it is cleaned up. There is some progress on that problem: the VT Attorney General is aware of it and Katherine Sims is involved. Andrew K (???) from DED can explain to us what we might be getting into. The Selectboard and Theresa Perron need to be involved.

The next meeting is September 24, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Liz made a motion to adjourn, seconded by James. So voted at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Liz Nelson, Secretary