

Village of Painted Post  
Planning Board Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 2, 2023

**ATTENDANCE:**

**Planning Board Members Present:** Vickie Button, Hannah Waschezyn, Scott Swimley, Tom Chapman  
**Absent:** Moira French, Kathy Scolaro, Martha Tober, STC Planner Chloe Thornton (formerly Boughton)  
**Others:** Village Trustee Britany Elsey, Village Clerk Anne Names

**Announcements:**

Painted Post Parks and Arts in collaboration with the [Southeast Steuben County Library](#) is pleased to announce our Movie Night and Ice Cream Social in Craig Park on Friday, August 25th. Starting at 7:30pm we will have ice cream and places to sit and chat with your friends and family.

The movie Super Mario Brothers will begin at 8:30pm on our outdoor movie screen. If it is raining, the movie will be played under the pavilion roof. Don't forget to bring your blankets and lawn chairs.

Come spend one of the final summer evenings with us here in the Village of Painted Post. Thank you very much to our sponsors: ServU Credit Union, Southeast Steuben County Library and Siemens Energy. (Source: Facebook post)

Brittany Elsey encouraged the Planning Board to share the news and social media post.

• **CALL TO ORDER: 5:25 PM**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM July 5, 2023**

**Changes:** Vickie Button noted that Britany Elsey had made the motion to approve planning board minutes last month, and, as a Village Trustee liaison to the Planning Board, does not have a vote on the Planning Board. Because the motion was carried unanimously, there is little concern about the mistake. Hannah offered to make the motion retroactively, if there is such a thing, although she wrote the minutes, so we'll check with Chloe what may be required.

**Motion by:** Vickie Button

**Seconded by:** Scott Swimley

**Carried.**

• **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Applications; there are no applications this month

• **NEXT MEETING:**

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

• **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Motion:** 5:26 PM

**Motion by:** Vickie Button

**Seconded by:** Scott Swimley

**Carried.**

*Minutes taken by Hannah Waschezyn, Village of Painted Post Planning Board Member.*

Village of Painted Post  
Climate Smart Task Force  
Wednesday, August 2, 2023  
(Second meeting)

**ATTENDANCE:**

**CSC Task Force Members Present:** Vickie Button, Hannah Waschezyn, Scott Swimley, Tom Chapman,

Village Trustee Britany Elsey, Village Clerk Anne Names

**Absent:** Moira French, Kathy Scolaro, Martha Tober

**Others:**

**CALL TO ORDER: 5:27 PM**

Anne Names:

- Announced a new code enforcement officer for Erwin and Painted Post: Rick Miller. She provided a brief update about local addresses they're working on.
- *Benchmarking data:* the bills may be a challenge to wrangle and we have 13-14, though the last two years would be fairly easy to gather: 2020-2021 & 2021-2022.

Britany Elsey:

- *Unified Solar Permit:* information prepared to send to trustees for their review and discussion at the next meeting.
- *LED Lights:* lights are probably cobra-head, and some are replaced already.
- *Partnerships with other entities (CSC):* Riverside partnership is recent; what to submit can be found at (<https://climatesmart.ny.gov/actions-certification/actions/#open/action/129>)
- After Britany left, remaining members recommended that she continue to look for approachable CSC Actions at: <https://climatesmart.ny.gov/actions-certification/actions/>

Tom Chapman:

- *Unified Solar Permit:* had a conversation with CEO Bryan Hallgren
- *Energy Code Enforcement Training:* Mike Brown of CEC confirmed that our CEO Bryan Hallgren is registered for the event.
- Intends to continue researching *PE6 Action: Smart Growth Policies* to see if any CSC points apply based on our Zoning Code

Scott Swimley:

- Offered to help compile benchmarking data, in the event Clerk Names would like assistance or the requirements end up being elaborate.

Vickie Button:

- Intends to get the list from Chloe Thornton and the LED lights from <https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Clean-Energy-Communities/How-It-Works/Toolkits/LED-Streetlights-Toolkit>

Hannah Waschezyn

- Presented findings from her comparison of the comprehensive plan with the requirements of the action point "Comprehensive Plan with Sustainability Elements" <https://climatesmart.ny.gov/actions-certification/actions/#open/action/66> Hannah has

concerns about the acceptance of the existing comprehensive plan as having the required elements, but it does seem worth submitting; she will continue to work to try to justify the required and bonus point elements for submission.

Members of the task force resumed discussion of the actions on the list:

- Repair community (Tom Chapman brought Scott Swimley up to speed from last meeting)
- Climate Adaptation Plan (Hannah Waschezyn described an overview of what one would entail)

Questions and tasks for Chloe Thornton:

- What is the process to put the Unified Solar Permit into effect?
- Carried over from last month:
  - Intends to connect with Anne Names about energy benchmarking documentation; Michael Brown of Clean Energy Communities (CEC) noticed it was already completed.
  - Intends to review the specific Climate Smart Communities (CSC) Actions which the Village may already have completed, in order to find what exactly needs to be submitted in order to receive credit for them.

**Next Meeting:** tentatively set for Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 5:15 – 6:15 PM.

- Scott Swimley will be absent.

Ended: 6:18 PM

*Meeting notes by Hannah Waschezyn, Village of Painted Post Planning Board Member.*