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**Planning Board - Special Meeting
Minutes
March 24, 2021**

**Present: Alan Rosenberg, Co-chair (voting)
Eric Bernstein, Co-chair (voting)
Ron Pelletier, Member (voting)
Brendan Denehy, Selectboard Representative (voting)
Valérie Rearick, Town Planner**

Absent: Chris Duncan, Member

7:05 pm. Alan called the meeting to order and noted that they are meeting remotely under the governor's Executive Order 2020-04 and Executive Orders #12 and #23. In following with these orders, he asked each Board member to state where they are, why they are there and who, if anyone, is in the room with them. All members responded.
in 2022.

Findings Re: Petition Warrants Articles for Special Town Meeting on March 28th, 2021

Also present: Christopher Drescher, and Tad Putney

During the March 18th, 2021 meeting the Board scheduled a "special meeting" to work on the appropriate wording for findings that will be submitted to the Legislative Body during the Special Town Meeting Sunday, March 28th at 1:00 pm.

Alan presented the draft findings and recommendations "*Town of Brookline Planning Board Written Finding and Recommendation for Temporary Moratoria*" (RSA 674:23) that was submitted along with four (4) petition warrant articles during the March 18th, 2021 meeting. A temporary moratorium would put a limitation on building permits and site plans for one year. (Document attached to these minutes for future reference).

Alan explained that the purpose of the Moratorium is to handle potential issues with the school population in the Brookline School District. (2 letters from the SAU were submitted to the Board for their consideration during the March 18th meeting and were attached to those minutes).

Brendan said that during the weekend, Alan and Eric have worked on wording for the findings and shared with Town Counsel and himself. **Brendan** said that at some point he realized that the Co-Chairs and himself being part of that email communication was hitting a quorum of the Planning Board and he sent an email asking not to include him in the emails so they would not hit that quorum requirement. **Alan** said that he immediately did. **Brendan** said that he wanted this on the record.

The Board was also provided with a document submitted by a resident proposing modifications to the proposed findings, which the Board also reviewed and discussed. (Attached to these minutes). **Chris Drescher** said that he also reviewed the document and for the most part he was okay with them. The only exception is for applications already duly filed (with notices being already sent out) that would not be

affected. **Chris** also clarified that we were not changing the zoning or building code with this meeting because there is a specific statutory process to amend a zoning ordinance. What we are doing here is to create a town ordinance.

Alan read through the proposed (draft) findings, opening discussion with the Board.

The Board, along with **Chris**, went through the proposed findings and worked on a list of exception to a proposed town ordinance. **Alan** also open the discussion to the general public as well as to **Peter D'Agostino** who provided the suggested changes to the document.

After careful reviews and discussions, the Board agreed on final findings. (The final document is attached to these minutes).

Motion: Eric moved to submit the finding as discussed and finalized tonight to the Legislative Body. Seconded by Brendan. Alan, Brendan, Eric, and Ron voted yes.

Adjourn

Brendan made a motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm. Eric seconded. Roll call vote Alan, Brendan, Eric, and Ron all voted yes. 4-0 yes.

Alan Rosenberg, Co-chair _____

Eric Bernstein, Co-chair _____

Ron Pelletier, Member _____

Brendan Denehy, Selectboard Representative _____

Minutes submitted by Valerie Rearick