

**Town of Bethany Beach**  
**Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting**  
**January 16, 2021**

The Bethany Beach Planning and Zoning Commission held a meeting on Saturday, January 16, 2021 at 9:00 am in the Town Meeting Room.

Present: Mike Boswell, John Gaughan, Diane Fogash, Lew Killmer, Scott Edmonston, Kathy Shorter and Susan Frederick (Building Inspector)

Also present: John Apple, Assistant Town Manager, Molly Daisey, Administrative Assistant, and Andrea Brosius, Secretary.

Mr. Boswell called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Mr. Gaughan made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Ms. Fogash, the motion was unanimously approved.

**Discussion/Approval of the Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes of November 21, 2020**

Ms. Fogash made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gaughan and unanimously approved.

**Announcements/Comments/Updates**

The Non-Residential Design Review Committee met in December 2020 and approved signs for Difebo's Market, Ocean Atlantic Sotheby's and Shore Foods Express / Delmarva Dry Goods .

Mr. Kilmer advised that the Town Council Meeting had been moved to January 22, 2021 at 2:00pm. There will be a workshop held this Tuesday , January 19, 2021 at Town Hall at 1:00pm involving discussion of committee guidelines, the new 5g network, COVID-19 this upcoming summer and moving event dates up due to overcrowding and parking in the summer months.

**New Business:**

General Review of the Comprehensive Plan.

The new Comprehensive Plan will be for the years 2022-2032 with a new update at year 2027. Mr. Killmer gave an over view of the review process and stated that he would like to see the plan finished by September. Mr. Boswell stated he would like to involve the citizens and gather comments on existing goals and future goals. Mr. Kilmer stated that rough drafts will be made

available on the website one section at a time as revisions are made for the public to see and make suggestions or comment on. The next meeting will be February 20, 2021 and at that time the committee will discuss existing and future goals and review pages 3-12 from the previous Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Killmer made mention that the Town would be seeing an increase in the number of visitors and that there would be more seasonal police officers this summer. Delaware is now a highly visible state due to our new President which will in turn bring more people into the area. There was discussion of overflow parking, offsite parking, and shuttle services for the employees of Bethany Beach.

Mr. Edmonston suggested a bike lane on Rt 26 for obvious safety concerns. He also would like to revisit the idea of affordable housing in the area. There should be discussion of possible solutions to live and work in Bethany.

**Old Business:**

**Adjourn:**

Mr. Gaughan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Fogash seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am. The next Planning and Zoning Commission meeting is Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Andrea Brosius, Secretary