

CPURC Meeting October 7, 2020

Present: Abi Mesick, Jeanne Veillette Bowerman, Tim Mackerer, Jeff Cox

Absent: Dave Everett, Donna Staron

Public: Angas Eaton

Discussion about solar energy and development in the Town of Chatham.

21. From last meeting: Reword to “How important do you think it is for the Town to develop design guidelines for architectural designs of commercial building, signage and landscaping” – reach out to Building Inspector Kent Pratt for commercial category sizes to include in the question. Add “very important” and “not important” for each category
Consider alternative: Is it very important, not important or no opinion to develop design guidelines for architectural designs of commercial building, signage and landscaping.”

Add after 4 on the first page: Do you live in a hamlet? If so, which one? Would you like to see hamlet-specific zoning in your hamlet?

10: Table:

- Change to just “Affordable Housing”
- Omit extend cable television
- Omit high speed internet connection
- Take out hillsides and ravines;
- Omit historical sites, structures, cemeteries
- Take out litter control;
- omit “low crime rate”
- define “open spaces” more specifically to address ag spaces vs open spaces – change to “open space (non-agricultural)” and “open space (agricultural)”
- Keep “historic character” and “rural character” but remove “overall aesthetic character”
- “Opportunity for community involvement in local government”
- “Opportunity for a sense of community”
- Separate: “Provide Water” and “Provide sewer”
- Omit recreational opportunities
- Change “scenic views and landscapes” to “scenic views”
- Omit: school districts
- Omit: Sensitive environmental sites
- Add “ridgelines”
- Remove “sensitive environmental sites”
- Remove “small farms/recreational” and add “Small farms”; and “Agri-Tourism” (separate lines)
- Remove “streams, ponds” and confirmed by Jeff Cox as wetlands are already protected

Remove Dirt Roads from the list and create a new question just for that.

New Question on Roads: Do you support paving existing dirt roads, limiting paving or prohibiting paving. Placing speed limits on town roads
Omit: well-maintained roads and highways

Adjourned at 8:25pm

Respectfully submitted Jeanne Veillette Bowerman