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**PLANNING BOARD**  
**Minutes 11/9/2021**

1. Call to order: 6:02

Declaration of quorum: Present: Ed Hummel, Peter Devine, Nathan Pitts Ursula Bernier, Robert Goings. Guests: none

2. Approval of minutes of 10/12/21: Moved and accepted  
Motion:   Nathan   Second:   Ursula   Vote   5  /  0  /  0

3. Communications: The Planning Board received new Broadband surveys, bringing the total to about 60 or 65.

Maine Municipal Association is offering an on-line webinar for Planning Board members on 12/8 from 4:00 to 7:30. See Karen if interested.

4. Update on E-911, town roads status and official names (CEO/LPI/E-911 Coordinator Phil Stevens invited). Phil, through the town's administrative assistant, Karen, reported that he was ready to move forward with assisting the Planning Board with E-911 data and map. He did not respond to efforts to set up a meeting and is not present at this meeting. Ed will let the Select Board know of our lack of response from Phil and ask about a job description for his position as CEO and E-911 Coordinator.
5. Update on Broadband Initiative: Ursula reported that there is not much new to report other than receipt of the new surveys, most of which at first glance appear to be in favor of expanding broadband. Ed will contact Kandie to get an update on any communications with Premier Broadband. Developing a Planning Board email and postcard list from the survey information and other data sources was discussed. Ed will follow up with Select Board.

6. Update on list of future projects: Nathan reviewed an initial list of possible future projects:
- Cutting down large hazard maple tree on the corner of Rte. 94 and Oliver Hill Road
  - Bringing municipal building to code as emergency shelter
  - Public Works projects such as bridges, culverts, dam maintenance, paving
  - Solar power for town buildings
  - Electric car-charging station
  - Elderly housing
  - Replacing missing town road signs
  - Universal Broadband
  - Replacing "Welcome to Garland" signs
  - Town recreation facilities (playground, swim front, trails, tennis/basketball court, etc)
  - Transfer station needs (compactor, glass crusher, wood chipper, composting, etc)
  - Community computer access
  - Improving town water supply
  - Residential septic needs

Ed will contact Vaughn Woodruff of Insource Renewables to check on viability of re-launching solar power initiative.

7. New Business: A public hearing is needed for the proposed Subdivision Ordinance. It was felt that there is no need for passing it by a lawyer as there are few changes. Ed will ask Select Board to schedule the public hearing
8. Public Participation: None
9. Adjournment: 6:46 pm

Motion: \_Peter\_\_\_Second: \_Ursula\_\_\_Vote: 5/0/0