

Bylaw Review Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2022 7:30 PM by Zoom

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DATE: March 14, 2022
TIME: 9:29 AM

Meeting convened at 7:34 PM

Members attending: Charles Hamann, Rob Schafer, Bob McGaw, Ellen O'Brien Cushman

Member not attending: Joe Hicks

Others attending: from Demolition delay sponsor, Historic District Commission - Lisa Harrington and Carl Solander and Town Planner Gabriel Distler.

Demolition Delay amendment

§60-320 Demolition Delay

Lisa explained that the final version presented tonight to Bylaw Review has been approved by all of the necessary Town boards, most importantly the Historic District Commission. This version includes all and only the comments that Bylaw Review had provided at the February 2, 2022 meeting. Charles commended the Historic District for their good work and for making it easy for the Committee's review. He again emphasized that the Bylaw Review Committee must also review the motion to amend once the motions have been drafted. Understood.

The specifics the Historic District has included:

1. Delete subsection B, Time Limitation and Subsection D (1) , including (a) through (f) in The list of buildings
2. Delete existing subsection C(1)
3. Renumber the subsections accordingly
4. Revise current Subsection B, Definitions, for the term LIST, by inserting after the phrase "March 30, 2017 " the words " modified and filed with the Town Clerk on April 3, 2018 subject to deletions pursuant to Subsection C(3)""
5. Correct the internal references to the to reflect the renumbering by changing the words "Subsection F" to "Subsection E" in the new Subsection C(4) and Subsection D. Exclusions title language.

Other possible amendments:

Ellen informed the Bylaw Review members that she intends to propose an amendment to Chapter 40, Boards, Commissions and Committees regarding membership to require members to be residents of Belmont and allow the appointing authority to remove a member from a committee if the member does not comply with the State Ethics training requirement.

In addition, she has heard that the Select Board may be preparing a Leaf Blower Bylaw and the Comprehensive Capital Committee continues to refine their proposed amendment.

Minutes of February 2, 2022 Meeting

On a motion by Ellen to approve the minutes of February 2, 2022, the committee members present voted unanimously to approve: Charles Hamann - Yes , Rob Schafer- Yes, Bob McGaw - Yes, Ellen O'Brien Cushman – Yes

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM