

## Minutes of Belvidere Planning Commission Meeting

### December 14, 2023, an in-person and ZOOM hybrid meeting.

Meeting convened at 7:12 PM and adjourned at 7:48 PM. Meeting was delayed due to technical difficulties.

BPC members Deb Baker, Ken Adams Jr., and Stephen Brown attended from the Belvidere Town Clerk's Office via ZOOM; Kathy Marchant attended by telephone. Ken Adams filled in as ZOOM meeting host. The agenda was adjusted to table the BPC membership requirements and bylaws discussion until all 5 members are present at a future meeting.

Motion by Deb to accept the minutes of the November 9, 2023, meeting as written; second by Stephen; motion carried.

ARPA Advisory Committee updates by Kathy:

- The ARPA Advisory Committee is continuing efforts with Lamoille North school administrators to develop a scope for the improvement of children's playscapes at Belvidere Central School using ARPA funds
- Stephen suggested that the ARPA committee present the Belvidere Community Club with a similar plan with cost estimates to improve play areas at the BCC facilities for future consideration by the BCC members

Update on Lamoille Fibernet:

- Kathy and Ken reported on the November meeting and drive through Belvidere with Robbie Blish, who represents Mac Mountain, and Carol Caldwell-Edmonds, from Lamoille Fibernet. The meeting focused on improving cell coverage in town by using cell phone "repeater towers". As an ARPA Committee member with IT experience, Paul Nowell will contact Rob Blish for further information to bring to future ARPA Committee meetings.

Discussion of pertinent town development issues:

- Ken reported that the Selectboard has completed the reclassification process of Basin and Smithville Roads and gave a brief overview of the Better Roads Grant application plan to make improvements on Back Road near the Tamasi, Fay, and Johnson residences

Other business/public comment:

- Consensus of the BPC to begin work on the Town Plan and to discuss bylaws after the new year begins.

Motion to adjourn at 7:48 PM by Kathy, second by Deb; motion carried

Next regular meeting scheduled **January 11, 2023, 6:30PM – 8:00PM**, in person at the Belvidere Town Clerk's Office and will include a ZOOM hybrid opportunity as well.