

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS – Discussion on Zoning Board implementing hand voting procedures

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Paul,

Sounds good to me. Also, with the change in the process involving speakers where we no longer ask that they sign in, we will have to modify the primer statement that is read at the beginning of each meeting. We need to strike the language that directs them to sign in and write down their name and address.

If you can send me a MS Word version of the text, I can modify it for use in the next meeting. I would also like to review the language in general. It is good, I am just wondering if it can be shorter without losing meaning or direction.

I do have one item for discussion that can become part of the next meeting (i.e., August, September, etc.). In the interests of speeding up voting on motions, I want to discuss using a hand vote procedure (e.g., all in favor of said motion raise your hand, etc.). This would allow for a record to establish who voted yes or no, but allow for us to get away from the roll call votes. My thought is that it will be quicker. In the limited written minutes that we do maintain, we can still note board member names voting yes or no on a particular item.

I was thinking about this matter based on the input from Tom Strat. I believe he suggested a simple verbal vote, but without the use of a hand vote measure. To me that seems to much of a movement away from our current procedure and perhaps to much of a change in comparison to how council and planning operate.

Your thoughts on this are appreciated. Lastly, what would be the drop dead date whereas we would close August for a meeting assuming we get a last minute request?
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