



TOWN OF HOPEDALE
Planning Board
TOWN HALL
78 HOPEDALE STREET
HOPEDALE, MA 01747

Stephen Chaplin Chairman
Kaplan Hasanoglu, Member
Jimmy Kohkar, Member
Michael Costanza, Member
Christopher Chase, Member

**Hopedale Planning Board
Open Session Meeting Minutes
Via Zoom Video Conference
May 8, 2023**

Members that were present: Stephen Chaplin, Chair
Michael Costanza
Christopher Chase
Kaplan Hasanoglu
Member that was absent: Jimmy Khokhar
Legal Counsel: Robin Stein, KP Law
Select Board: Glenda Hazard, Bernard Stock, Brian Keyes
Town Administrator: Jeff Nutting

Stephen Chaplin, Chair of the Planning Board called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm

Select Board Chair Glenda Hazard called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Select Board Chair Glenda Hazard declared discussion of litigation strategy in the matter of Marjorie Clinton et al v. Town of Hopedale (Worcester Superior Court, Civil Action No. 2385CV00037) and (Clinton et al v. Chaplin et al, Massachusetts Land Court, 23 Misc. 000127) may have a detrimental effect on the litigation position of the Town, and therefore, that she would entertain a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing litigation strategy. Select Board member Bernie Stock then moved that the board enter into executive session pursuant to Purpose 3, G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) to discuss litigation strategy. Mr. Stock's motion was seconded by Brian Keyes. The result of a roll call vote was as follows:

Bernie Stock	yes
Brian Keyes	yes
Glenda Hazard	yes

Planning Board Chair Stephen Chaplin then declared that discussion of litigation strategy with respect to the aforementioned litigation matters may have detrimental effect on the litigation position of the Town, referencing G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3) as previously mentioned by Select Board Chair Hazard. Mr. Chaplin indicated that he would entertain a motion to enter into executive session, whereupon Planning Board Member Christopher Chase so moved and Mr. Chase's motion was seconded by Planning Board Member Mike Costanza. The result of the roll call vote was as follows:

Mike Costanza	yes
Chris Chase	yes
Kaplan Hasanoglu	yes
Stephen Chaplin	yes

Prior to entering into executive session, the Planning Board announced it would adjourn its meeting in open session after the conclusion of the executive session.

The Select Board and Planning Boards entered into executive session at 6:40 pm.

The Planning Board and Select Board returned to open session at , at which point Planning Board Chair Stephen Chaplin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which motion was seconded by Kaplan Hasanoglu. A roll call vote was held and the motion to adjourn passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Arcudi
Planning Board Secretary