

2021 Report of the Planning Board

To the Citizens of the Town of Dunstable, this is the 2021 Annual Report for the Dunstable Planning Board.

The Planning Board would like to remind residents that many of the roads in Dunstable have been designated as scenic roads. According to M.G.L. Chapter 40, Section 15C, "after a road has been designated as a scenic road any repair, maintenance, reconstruction, or paving work done with respect thereto shall not involve or include the cutting or removal of trees, or the tearing down or destruction of stone walls, or portions thereof, except with the prior written consent of the Planning Board.....". If you have any questions, please call the office (978) 649-4514 x230.

The Planning Board generally meets at 6:30pm on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month, or as required. The public is welcome at these meetings. Please go onto the town website for agenda information (www.dunstable-ma.gov). There are five board members; three are required to conduct regular business.

At the 2021 Annual Town Meeting, the Planning Board recommended, and residents approved, Zoning Bylaw changes. These included replacing two zoning maps, revising the Community Housing Bylaw and adding a Town Center District Bylaw.

The Board voted to layout Route 113 in anticipation of road repairs near the center of Town on Main Street.

George Basbanes agreed to represent the Planning Board on the Community Preservation Committee.

Member Dave Greenwood left the Planning Board in May 2021. The Board would like to thank him for his service to the Town. Jim Wilkie joined the Board in May.

The Planning Board notes the following activities during 2021:

Plans not requiring subdivision approval	4	Building Permits signed	2
Definitive Hearings/continuations/mod.	0	Zoning Hearings/public info sessions	7
Scenic Road Hearings/continuations	1	Fee Schedule Hearing	0
Preliminary Meetings/continuations	3	Subdivision Approvals	0
Special Permit Hearings/continuations	3	Rules and Reg. Hearing	1

Respectfully Submitted,

Joe VLcek, Chair
Jeffrey Pallis, Vice Chair
George Basbanes, Clerk

Joan Simmons, Member at large
Jim Wilkie, Member at large
Cheryl Mann, Administrative Assistant