# TOWN OF SMITHVILLE PLANNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020

**Call to Order:** Chair Shane Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Board Members Present: Chair Shane Butler, Adam Whitbeck, Bob

Brooks, Dakota Warren, Donna Marie Utter, Clerk. **Planning Board Members Absent:** Fred Heisler, Jr.

Others in Attendance: Allison Owens, Town Clerk

- Vouchers filled out by board members.

### 1. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by Planning Board member Bob Brooks to approve the November 4, 2020 minutes, seconded by Planning Board member Dakota Warren. All members voted aye, motion carried.

#### 2. NEW BUSINESS:

- Adam Whitbeck resigned from the Planning Board effective after tonight's meeting.

#### 3. OLD BUSINESS:

## **Water & Sewer System:**

- The Town Board requested the Planning Board to review a water and sewer system for the hamlet as a future project. Chairman Butler contacted the USDA regarding their availability to fund such a project, but has not heard back. Their projects usually require that bonds be issued by the municipality. Bonds are not necessarily obtained at the best interest rate. He will continue to look for grants, but it is not promising.
- Based on the 2010 census, Smithville Flats has 351 people in the hamlet. A \$1,000,000 project would require each person to pay approximately \$3,000. Guilford has a water/sewer facility which required multiple wells and Guilford Lake as a softener. A water/sewer facility would require someone to oversee the system part-time. Perhaps combining it with another position such as the Highway Supervisor.

Chairman Butler will respond to the Town Board with what information he has regarding any such project.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT:

- There being no other business to come before the Planning Board, Chairman Butler adjourned the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Next Planning Board Meeting is Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

**Submitted by:** Donna Marie Utter, Planning Board Clerk