



**Minutes**  
**Kennebunk Lower Village Committee Meeting**  
**Monday May 4, 2020 - 8:00AM - Via Zoom**

The meeting was opened with a roll call of Committee members present.

Betsy Smith provided the background that the meeting had been called to discuss whether or not to approve a memorandum to the Site Plan Review Board regarding the proposed project on 171/173 Port Road. The Chair emphasized that this meeting was for this purpose only and discussion of the pros and cons of the project should wait until the Site Plan Review Board public comment meeting scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Betsy asked for comments or questions from the Lower Village committee. Theresa Willette asked about the primary use of proposed building; Rick Taranto, owner of property, responded that the building will primarily be a luncheon restaurant and will also be used for special events. He expects to be open in the summer and the "shoulder" months as well as during the Christmas season. He also clarified that the rear of the building will have a kitchen, bar and bathrooms. He also intends to use the building to host Old Vines events, private events and fundraising events. Miriam Whitehouse asked if the two businesses would be open at the same time, and the answer was yes but that Old Vines would be utilized in a complimentary role. More discussion on this question can be had at the Site Plan Review Board public input meeting on May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Rick also added that a revised plan was submitted by Sebago Technics to John Stoll, the Town Planner, on April 30, 2020. Revisions included: New capacity of 132 (down significantly); location of the dumpster; parking requirements and expected hours of operation for both buildings.

It was agreed that Miriam Whitehouse would contact John Stoll about obtaining a paper copy of the plans that to be shared individually among LV committee members.

Miriam will also ask that the revised plan be posted as soon as possible so that the public will be able to view it before the Site Plan Review Board meeting.

Betsy said she would add two revisions to the draft memorandum:

1. That a formal public meeting of the Committee had been held
2. That the revised plan was not available to the Committee when the memorandum was written.

Betsy then called for a motion on whether to submit our memorandum to the Site Plan Review Board. The motion was made by Theresa Willette and seconded by Nina Spencer.

The vote to approve sending the letter was 6 in favor with 1 recusal and 2 absent.

The motion to adjourn was made by Miriam Whitehouse and seconded by Theresa Willette.

Attendees:

Betsy Smith - Chair  
Miriam Whitehouse - Vice Chair  
Nina Spencer - Committee Member  
Rick Taranto - Committee Member  
Pat Foley - Committee Member  
Theresa Willette - Committee Member  
Patti Sass Perry - Alternate (Voting due to absences)  
Frank Paul - Select Board Liaison  
Wayne Berry  
Kristi Kenney  
Nancy Eaton  
Kate Jollie  
Sue Plass  
Mike Pardue

Absent:

Laura Dolce - Committee Member  
Alex Gramling - Alternate