

GREAT BARRINGTON PLANNING BOARD

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024

6:00 PM

Town Hall, 334 Main Street, 2nd Floor
Great Barrington, MA 01230

Attendance/viewing via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82163850280>

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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §18, and Governor Healey's March 29, 2023 Revised Order extending remote participation by all members in any meeting of a public body, this meeting of the Planning Board will be conducted both in-person and via remote participation to the greatest extent possible. Specific information and the general guidelines for remote participation by members of the public and/or parties with a right and/or requirement to attend this meeting can be found on town's website, at www.townofgb.org. For this meeting, members of the public and committee members may attend the meeting in person, or, for those who wish to do so remotely may by following the instructions on this agenda. For those who are not in-person every effort will be made to ensure that the public can adequately access the proceedings in real time, via technological means.

AGENDA

- 1. FORM A PLANS (SUBDIVISION APPROVAL NOT REQUIRED):**
- 2. MINUTES:** January 25, 2024 meeting
- 3. SPECIAL PERMIT:** Review and comment to the Selectboard on the application from the Community Land Trust in the Southern Berkshires to modify special permit #297-86, granted in 1986, to remove one acre from the site's open space. The site is identified as Assessor's Map 32, Lot 5H on Christian Hill Road and is known as Forest Row.
- 4. SPECIAL PERMIT:** Review and comment to the Selectboard on the application from the Community Development Corporation of South Berkshire, to permit a hotel use at 453 Stockbridge Road, Great Barrington, in accordance with Zoning sections 3.1.4 C(8), 7.10, and 10.4.
- 5. SPECIAL PERMIT & SITE PLAN REVIEW, 9 ELM COURT**
 - a. Recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals on the Special Permit application from the W.E.B. DuBois Center for Freedom and Democracy for the restoration and exterior alterations of the nonconforming structure at 9 Elm Court, Great Barrington, in the Village Center Overlay District;
 - b. Site Plan Review application for exterior alterations and change of use.
- 6. ZONING AMENDMENTS:** Finalize draft zoning amendments regarding Cohousing Residential Development, permissions for residential development in various zones, and landscaping and trees.
- 7. MASTER PLAN REVIEW:** Review latest status update of Master Plan, discuss progress, tasks completed, tasks to focus on, remove, or add, and conversations ongoing with other boards and commissions. Discuss a public outreach plan and input sessions.
- 8. TOWN PLANNER'S REPORT:**
- 9. BOARD & SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES / ISSUES & CONCERNS:**
- 10. CITIZEN'S SPEAK TIME:** *This is an opportunity for residents to bring up topics of concern or importance which may be placed on a future agenda for discussion. Unless otherwise permitted by the Chair, this time is reserved for residents only and speakers are limited to 3 minutes.*
- 11. ADJOURN**

Pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A section 20 (f), after notifying the chair of the public body, any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting of a public body, or may transmit the meeting through any medium. At the beginning of the meeting, the chair shall inform other attendees of any such recordings. Any member of the public wishing to speak at the meeting must receive permission of the chair. The

listings of agenda items are those reasonably anticipated by the chair which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.

Per Section 241-1 of the Town Code, except for procedural and housekeeping matters, Town residents shall have the right to address a Board on any item that requires a vote at a time before a Board votes on that item. Such residents will be allowed as much time as the proponent of an item is permitted to have.