

## Elmore Planning Commission Minutes

June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Meeting held remotely via Zoom

### Attendees:

- Bruce Olsson
- Glenn Schwartz
- Kate Sprague
- Michelle Greeson
- Hans de Boer

### **Discussion of Grant Opportunities:**

At this point Elmore has applied for three grants from RiseUpVT: Elmore 5k, Yoga, and State Park passes. Everyone agreed that the labor day running race is not the best idea because of Covid19. The town has already cancelled the Block Party and the fireworks. The idea is that we will postpone until next year. This is a not a good time to be asking for donations or anything of that sort.

Kristin is ok with holding socially distanced yoga and doing it outside. EPC will prioritize the grant for the yoga as #1 priority. Then the second priority would be the park passes.

### **Update on broadband and the prospective development of a task force:**

Our best option is to stick to our guns and stay the course with CVFiber. Bob Burley is the Elmore contact at CVFiber. At this time CVFiber has a proposal out to have someone put together a build plan for the fiber network. Unfortunately, no matter which direction the fiber comes from, Elmore is at the end of the line. There is little that the EPC can do to help expediate the process. Glenn will reach out to Bob to ensure he understands that if there is anything we can do to help, to reach out to the EPC.

### **Stowe Land Trust discussion**

There has been little motivation to reach out to Stowe Land Trust folks to determine if there is a similar path Elmore can take to develop some Elmore town forest. Even in the best of times, this would be a long shot anyway.

### **Discussion of the Elmore General Store takeover:**

The group has lost all momentum with the Covid19 situation. The fundraising was only in the infancy stages when everything came to a halt.

### **The 2 acres the Park does not want**

The 2 acres on the corner of Beach Rd and Rt 12. Glenn will ask about that. Once it is confirmed that Elmore can purchase the property for \$1, the idea was floated to survey the town to see if there are any ideas of what Elmore could do with that property.

**The next meeting is July 1, 2020 at 6pm. Location Elmore Town Office (socially distanced and preferably outside).**

**Agenda for 7/1/2020:**

- Follow up on Grant situation
- The 2 acres at the corner of Beach Rd/Rt 12
- Update on Broadband