



**SOUTHBRIDGE
PLANNING BOARD
& SPECIAL PERMIT GRANTING
AUTHORITY**

MEETING MINUTES
May 3, 2023 · 6:30 PM
GAR Hall, Town Hall Lower Level
41 Elm Street, Southbridge, MA

1. Call to Order – D. Payeur called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. Present: D. Payeur, M. Loin, C. Acly, T. Hensel, C. Bellrose, P. Paquin.
2. Approval of the Minutes of April 19, 2023 – T. Hensel motion to approve as written. C. Bellrose second. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
3. Approval Not Required (ANR) Plan Applications – None submitted.
4. **Workshop** – Proposed Zoning Bylaw section 8.10 Earth Excavation and Filling – The Board reviewed the proposed bylaw and made recommendations for edits.
5. **Workshop** - Zoning Bylaw Review and Discussion of proposed edits – Not discussed.
6. Ongoing Business
 - a) Zoning non-conformance issues – The Board mentioned several areas of non-conformance including Golf Street, Ashland Avenue, and Ellis Road.
 - b) Planning Board initiatives and studies – E. Rumsey presented a request to use LPA and/or DLT funds for a housing plan study. C. Acly motion to approve the use of LPA and/or DLT funds to conduct a housing plan study, with the plan being presented to the Board once completed. M. Loin second. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
7. Staff Update – As discussed.
8. Board Forum – As discussed.
9. Next meeting and adjourn. – M. Loin motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM to the next meeting May 17, 2023 at 6:30 PM. T. Hensel second. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.