

**TOWN OF SMITHVILLE
PLANNING BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026**

I. CALL TO ORDER: Board member Kehl called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE:

Planning Board Members Present: Marie Kehl, Joseph Brant, Kenneth Whitmore, Joseph Warren, and Donna Marie Utter, Clerk.

Planning Board Members Absent: Robert Brooks

Others in Attendance:

III. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by Board member Whitmore, seconded by Board member Brant, to approve the January 7, 2026 minutes as presented.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Vacating and filling Bob Brooks Board seat. A discussion was had on whether or not Robert Brooks' seat on the Planning Board could be filled without his resignation, as his return to the Board is doubtful. When Board member Kehl attends the next Town Board meeting, she will pose that question.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Renewable Energy & Battery Energy Storage Systems Law – The Clerk handed out the completed law for the Board to review. After discussion, the Planning Board requested that the Clerk send a copy of the proposed law to the Town Board for their review and input so that any changes made by the Planning Board and the Town Board can be made at the same time.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

- At the next meeting, the Board will begin reviewing the Site Plan Review Law for any needed changes.

- A motion was made by Board member Brant, seconded by Board member Kehl, to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Next Planning Board Meeting is Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.