

# The Town of Fenwick Island

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#### PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING February 20, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. Town Hall Minutes

Members present: Susan Brennan (via Zoom), Lois Twilley (via Zoom), Ann Riley (via Zoom), Natalie Magdeburger (via Zoom), Odis Braxton joined at 1:29 p.m. (via Zoom)

Others present: Erin Ellinger

Call to Order and Flag Salute at 1:06 p.m.

1. Discuss/approve minutes from meeting held February 6, 2025, meeting

A MOTION to approve the minutes from February 6, 2025, meeting with the following modifications: Item 2., 3rd line: change to: "Ann Riley said that the DarkSky Committee had suggested to her that the Planning Commission may be helpful in finding grant opportunities if and when the time came to implement any DarkSky projects. Ann said she thought the Dark Sky group would be better served by working directly with DarkSky International as they have already researched available grants."

Moved by: Natalie Magdeburger Seconded: Susan Brennan

MOTION passed unanimously.

2. Updates on 2025 Summer Kickoff

Susan has reached out to Lucy Wilder, who is leading the Business Committee's efforts for this event, and they plan to discuss the details on Monday. She also confirmed that the Chief of Police is on board. The Town is supporting local businesses by providing bike racks. This event aligns with pedestrian safety, community biking, and public engagement. Natalie proposed making it a monthly event, while Lois suggested reaching out to the local bike shop for potential bike safety checks. Susan recommended launching the season Kick Off at Town Hall to promote summer events, with subsequent events beginning and ending at the featured businesses. The next Business Concerns meeting is scheduled for March 4th. Susan will attend.

- 3. Old business:
  - a. Committee Reports

Susan has finalized the Infrastructure and Environmental Committee reports covering the March–September time period. She will send a general reminder email to committee



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chairs and liaisons, including the Status Report Form. Natalie suggested that the commission provide recommendations to the Council regarding each committee's mission and refine how they collaborate. Ann proposed that commissioners review the March reports, then discuss findings in April. A previous motion established that the commission would present recommendations to the Council in July. Natalie emphasized the importance of taking a proactive rather than reactive approach. Susan will follow up regarding this request as it may have been discussed and implemented in the Fall.

4. New business:

None

5. Public participation:

None

### Next meeting March 13, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjourn

### A MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

Moved by: Natalie Magdeburger Seconded by: Ann Riley

MOTION passed unanimously.