

On March 7, 2020 as part of the Governor Cuomo's executive order 202.1 the open meetings law was modified in the following manner:

“Suspension of law allowing the attendance of meetings telephonically or other similar service:

Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed;”

The above order was then extended for 30 days until May 7, 2020 by executive order 202.14 and extended again by 30 days until June 6, 2020 by executive order 202.28.

Therefore, the Town of Pine Plains Planning Board will be holding meetings in accordance with that guidance for as long as the emergency and the executive orders remain in place. The meetings will be held remotely via Zoom . The board, applicants, consultants and other involved parties will be given access to participate in those meetings. As is the general custom for the board, the public will not have opportunity to speak or comment during these meetings. As always, the public is welcome to email in any letters or comments to the board regarding the applications or issues discussed. planningboard@pineplains-ny.gov

The public will have an opportunity to watch the meetings live, as well as a recorded copy of the meetings, on the Planning Board's YouTube channel which can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0Mq6XtGozf20YyvnEzVeRA>

Relevant executive orders may be viewed here:

[Executive Order 202.1](#)

[Executive Order 202.14](#)

[Executive Order 202.28](#)