

Planning Commission Minutes
Monday April 25 at 4 pm
via hybrid (zoom and Town Meeting Room)

John opened the meeting at 4:05 PM

In attendance John Lebron, Chair, Meg Staloff, Michele Carlson, Bryan Holt via zoom
Gretchen Havreluk, Economic Development Specialist
Visitors: Cheryl Laflamme via zoom

Addition to Agenda: Meg proposed changing public events signage size from 6 sq. feet to 20 sq. feet and move this item from Article VIII, Section 822 (which is regulated as maximum 6 square feet) to Article VIII Section 823: Other Signs.

Visitor Cheryl Laflamme suggested extending time limitations for temporary signage. This was discussed and Meg looked this up and noted this is regulated by state. Committee agreed to propose adding this changes.

Public Comment: None

Approve Minutes from 4/25/2022

Meg made a motion to accept the minutes from 4/25/2022. Bryan seconded.
In favor: John, Meg, Brian (attending 4/25/2022 meeting members)

Finalize Proposed Changes: as discussed in previous meetings as well as addition of Public events signage size agreed earlier in meeting.

Proposed pending hearing on changes scheduled for 6/27/2022

Proposed changes:

- Outdoor dining areas in Design Review Districts (Article V, Section 531 B – seasonal outdoor dining)
- Solar regulations and screening (Article VII, Section 730 and 732) screening requirement, setbacks and recommendations based on capacity
- Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (Article VII, Section 731, and Article X) Accessory use, parking regulations, general definitions
- Public Art definition (Article X) exclude Public Art from Sign definition
- Public Events (Article VIII, Section 822) increase signage size

Michele made a motion to approve the above changes for Public Hearing Notice.
Meg seconded.

Request from Jack Widness for letter of support for group Responsible Wakes for Vermont Lakes

Reflected on Jack Widness presentation given to the commission on this subject several months ago. It was discussed then and now that this is better suited as an individual members initiative other than planning commission.

Commission agreed to decline letter request. In favor, John, Meg, Brian, Michele

Town Zoning Administrator – New candidates interview process

Mike Tuller current Zoning Administrator, will be leaving his post this year at the end of his contract. The planning commission recommends new zoning candidates via interview process. Discussed best ways to expand pool of candidates. Concern about lack of applicants based on last round. The Town will post job availability notice for new Zoning Administrator this week.

Next Meeting: June 13, 2022 at 4:00

Meg made motion to adjourn meeting at 5:18; Michele seconded.

Respectfully Submitted

Michele Carlson, substitute clerk