

Meeting Minutes Planning Commission Meeting January 3, 2019 5:00 pm

Chuck Marian, Dawn Andrews, Rich Aronson, John Raynor

The Planning Commission reviewed the wording for the articles for Town meeting. Board also reviewed publications for the town web site and made some minor revisions to the documents. The Board will work on articles for the next chronicle discussing the revisions to the zoning districts.

Respectfully submitted Karen Deasy

Planning Commission Public Hearing January 3, 2019 6:00 pm.

Chuck Marian, Dawn Andrews, Rich Aronson, John Raynor, Jack Daniels, Ron Laysleeper, Michael Hogan, Niels Larson

Chuck Opened hearing 6:02 pm Discussed revising Zoning districts to be more friendly to business. Dawn discussed looking at pieces of the zoning rather than the whole focusing on the village first to make zoning easier to understand.

Ron Laysleeper commented he felt the planning commission had succeeded in the revisions were simple and clear. He did comment on that he did not see revised noise standards and that with recent complaints indicated that perhaps this should be something to address. With Jack Daniels and Mike Hogan both present the subject was discussed, it was determined that a noise ordinance would fall to the Selectboard. Chuck indicated the DRB can impose conditions with performance standards, these have not been updated yet, a sound ordinance should not be zoning.

Dawn discussed how parking is not seen as an issue, current standards were reduced. Business parking should be less restrictive where cars can come and go, Rich indicated the owner may provide other alternatives to the parking requirements for consideration.

Ron Laysleeper questioned parking for events, indicated that many larger events seem to have more issues with parking. Dawn indicated that special events were different.

Rich indicated that the board had discussed the revisions with several landowners to review the proposed changes and that feedback received was favorable. Discussed further outreach, there will be two additional meetings where people can come to ask questions on the revisions.

The new signage requirements were reviewed one of the proposed requirements, 50% of front façade was discussed, the example of Goodrich's was used and The Hardware store were used as examples for discussion. Signage does require a permit and the DRB does hear applications for all commercial projects providing additional review.

Respectfully Submitted

Karen Deasy