

Montgomery Planning Commission

Minutes January 25 special meeting at PSB conference room

Present: Alissa Hardy, Kenny Miller, Joe Sherman, Peter Lochner

Meeting called to order by Kenny at 6:08

Agenda:

1. Additions and / or Deletions to the Agenda. None
2. Approval of Dec. 14, 2021 Minutes 4 Yeas. Kenny abstained
3. Bylaw Modernization Grant Update
No update at this time. Expected to have one in two weeks
4. Review Town Plan - Focusing on housing
 - a. Continue Review of Ch 13, affordable housing
Discussed the pressure of STR on affordable housing. Barry noted that any outright ban on new STRs would be done by zoning bylaw. Affordable housing stock is mostly in our 2 hamlets.
 - b. Outline future possible changes to Ch 13

OTHER BUSINESS

Joe reported on his conversation with Greta.

Ordinance [selectboard] easier to pass and to enforce than zoning by-law.

Attach Joe's email to minutes

Discussion of "ordinance" vs. "bylaw." Why did the ordinance attempt fail?

First step is simply a registry for STRs. Ordinance containing basic safety and insurance matters might discourage some irresponsible conversions.

NEW BUSINESS

CON 1 CONVERSION FROM CAMP TO RESIDENCE

Parma had expressed the idea of dropping 1600 feet to 1500.

Joe noted that he had reviewed previous versions of the Town plan and it has not really changed, but has gotten wordier. Suggests when we amend we need to make it more concise.

Motion to Adjourn Kenny seconded by Joe. All in favor at 7:50.

Respectfully submitted,

Barry Kade (Secretary for the month)