

SPECIAL MEETING

Montgomery Planning Commission Minutes

Public Safety Building

September 20, 2022, 6:00 p.m.

Present: Alissa Hardy, Barry Kade, Joe Sherman, and Peter Locher

Visitors: Sarita Khan, Kate Cummings and Rory Cummings

Alissa called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Additions and/or Deletions to the Agenda - None

Approval August 14, 2022 Minutes - Minutes approved by Barry seconded by Joe. All in favor.

Barry noted that the draft and minutes should be posted together

Open Discussion with Sarita Khan - Sarita attended the meeting as a resident and also representing the Jay Peak Area Chapter of the Vermont Short Term Rental Association. She spoke about the history of STRs in Montgomery. Sarita recommended a tiered registration fee schedule. There was discussion about STRs being prohibited in Con 1 & 2. She also spoke about the need to have a clear definition of STRs and separating them from lodging establishments in the Zoning Regulations.

Plan our amended STR draft proposal for Selectboard consideration -

The Planning Commission reviewed the feedback from the Selectboard about the STR draft ordinance.

- In opening paragraph change “proliferation” to “growth”. Motion made by Alissa seconded by Joe. 3-1
- Change “Commercial/Residential” to “Village 1 & 2”
- Affordable housing. Strike “poses a likely threat” replace with “May impact”
- Section 2. Change the registration date to July from November. Peter made a motion, Barry seconded. All in Favor
- Section 3. Change registration fee from a flat 250.00 fee to a tiered fee with partial house listing being 100.00 and an entire house listing being 250.00. Peter made a motion, seconded by Joe. All in favor.
- Section 4. Strike language about apartments. Alissa made a motion, seconded by Peter. All in favor
- Section 5. Barry will research the state statute.
- Section 9. Remove entire section. Barry made a motion seconded by Joe. All in favor.
- Section 10. Remove entire section. Alissa made a motion, seconded by Barry. 3-1. Barry recommend to Selectboard that they cover this concern with a noise ordinance.
- Section 11. Add “as a conditional use” Joe made a motion, seconded by Peter. 3-1
- Section 12. Board decided to leave as written

-9e Add language “define the duties of” Barry made a motion, seconded by Joe.

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Conclude Posting arrangements for secretarial role -Due to the evening getting late it was agreed that every member will make a draft and share it within the week and will get a final copy to be posted ASAP.

Other Business - None

Public Comment - None

Items for Future Agenda -

- Secretarial update
- STR ordinance update
- Bike Path

-Meeting adjourned at 8:43

Respectfully submitted by Alissa Hardy