

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
CANTERBURY PLANNING BOARD

May 28, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Snyder, Chairman, Hillary Nelson, Tyson Miller, Lucy Nichols, Alternate, Scott Doherty, Alternate

ABSENT: Art Rose, Joshua Gordon (Vice-Chairman), Kent Ruesswick, Cheryl Gordon (BOS representative)

OTHERS: Chance Anderson

Review of May 14, 2019 Minutes: Tyson Miller moved the Minutes, seconded by Hillary Nelson. Discussion: None. Vote to approve Minutes: Unanimous – 5/14/19 Minutes approved.

Board discussion: Zoning Ordinance and Table of Uses:

Tyson reported that Ken Folsom, Town Manager, called our town counsel, Bart Mayer, to discuss Air BNB regulations for fire and safety. Since Canterbury doesn't have short term rentals in our Table of Uses, and we have a permissive Zoning Ordinance, short term rentals are not allowed. Jim Snyder disagreed with the interpretation and doesn't think it gives the Selectmen the ability to prohibit short term rentals. There was discussion about short term rentals as an accessory use of a single family dwelling, and about litigation in Portsmouth that is currently at the Supreme Court relating to this subject. The Board discussed fire safety checks and the type of approach it would take for enforcement of short term rental complaints. We will look at this issue again after current legislation is decided on and the Supreme Court issues a decision.

Hillary Nelson discussed the research she's found over the past couple weeks relating to obnoxious uses and what the Planning Board's possible involvement could be through Site Plan. She passed out a model noise ordinance from a city, but felt there were some things we could use from it and thought it was a great starting point. The model she provided relies on the reasonable person standard rather than using decibels.

Tyson passed out the proposed notice for the Canterbury newsletter for everyone's review. After further discussion, Hillary agreed to review it for possible further edits and eventual posting in the Newsletter.

The Board will review the model noise ordinance for discussion at next meeting. It will also discuss the Table of Uses and Zoning Ordinance.

Other Business:

- Lucy said the Loudon racetrack will have one big race this year on the weekend of July 21-22 and that there and reiterated that there won't be a country music festival this year.

Tyson moved to adjourn. Second by Hillary. Vote: Unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Lori Gabriella, Secretary
Canterbury Planning Board