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Planning Board Workshop Minutes

Date: April 29th, 2021, 6:00PM

Place: Remote only, Zoom

Meeting Minutes:

Revision: 1

1. Roll call – Members present were Chair Erv Curtis, Ryan Minikis, Bob Nordstrom, Catherine Bendheim, and Gabe Tomasulo. Also present were CEO Mo Dube, Anna Geneseo.
2. Call the meeting to order - The meeting was called to order by Chair Erv Curtis at 6:07PM.
3. New Business
 - a. Discuss Ordinance Review Committee Ordinance Proposals
 - i. – Planning Board formation ordinance revisions
 - ii. - Land use ordinance revisions
 - iii. - Newly proposed solar ordinance

The board discussed the proposed changes, clarifying terms with Tomasulo who is also a member of the Ordinance Review Committee. The board made suggestions including clarifying wording and increasing the timeline for the planning board to act on land use permit applications to ensure enough time to discuss and notify the public as the proposed 35 days was too restrictive. The board discussed length of time campers could stay before needing to involve the CEO. The proposed ordinance would allow campers to stay at a site for five days before notifying the CEO about waste management. While Minikis said he understood the ordinance, he could not support it as it seemed short compared to Forest Services which allows a campsite setup for 14 days before needing to move on. Curtis agreed as he felt if residents had



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guests staying in their camper but using their indoor facilities, there would be no need to involve the CEO at 5 days, but the resident would be required to with this proposed ordinance. Tomasulo wrote down suggestions to bring back to the Ordinance Review Committee. The board continued to discuss the changes. Board members plan on attending the public hearing for the ordinance changes on May 13th at 6PM.

4. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 by Chair Curtis.