



TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE

PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

October 15, 2020

Remote Via Zoom / Telephonically

Present: Chairperson Steve Tegeler, Commissioners Jeremy Laws, Kim Moloney, Steve Miller

Excused: None

Staff: Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp

Guests: None

Chairperson Tegeler called the meeting to order at 7:33pm.

MINUTES: Commissioner Moloney moved to approve the September 17, 2020 minutes as written. Chairperson Tegeler seconded. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

COUNCIL UPDATE: Deputy Clerk Kulp noted the Council will hold their 5G public hearing at their October meeting this month, which has been postponed one week due to a power outage.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS: Short-term rentals, e.g. Airbnb

The commissioners resumed their short-term rental discussion, tabled since February 2020 due to 5G and the pandemic. Information from surrounding jurisdictions about their codes on short-term rentals will be shared when available. Commissioner Moloney shared feedback from some neighbors received about parking and noise, around one home that prompted this inquiry. That home had a long-term renter last year subleasing short-term to several people without approval, which has since been resolved. The village is only aware of one home being used legitimately for short-term rental and commissioners were encouraged to reach out to that homeowner to discuss further.

Discussion continued and consensus was found with a longer minimum stay and Commissioner Miller's suggestion of working closely with the Western Academy of Beaux Arts on making sure beach access was not available to short-term renters. Commissioner Laws noted in Bellingham one must get a permit and pay a fee. Commissioner Miller reminded commercial activity is restricted here before he lost his connection. Chairperson Tegeler suggested we have a specific Town form created to be included and signed with a rental agreement, that could include specific information about parking or other concerns. Commissioner Moloney will submit a notice in the next monthly news bulletin asking villagers for input, including Chairperson Tegeler's

suggestion on if short-term rentals should be regulated and if so, what they should be. Chairperson Tegeler also inquired about doing a digital survey, as that could be one way to gather information for input. Deputy Clerk Kulp will ask the Town about technology and data retention/ privacy for any potential survey.

Adjourn: Chairperson Tegeler moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Laws seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm. Vote: 3 For, 0 Against. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next regular Planning Commission meeting is expected to be held remotely as before at a special time of 7:30pm to accommodate a quorum, on Thursday, November 19, 2020. Connections for the remote meeting will be included as before on the posted agendas prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Kulp, Deputy Clerk