



PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Type:..... Regular Meeting
Date:..... Tuesday May 18, 2021
Time:..... 6:00 p.m.
Place:..... Via Zoom
Contact:..... (802) 893-1186 or chaiju@miltonvt.gov
Website:..... www.miltonvt.gov

MEETING MINUTES

Tony Micklus, Chair Benjamin Frye, Vice-Chair Lori Donna, Clerk Seth Duchesneau, Member

1. Call to Order & Welcome

The meeting was called to order by T. Micklus at 6:04 p.m.

2. Attendance

Members Present: Tony Micklus, Chair; Benjamin Frye, Vice Chair; Seth Duchesneau, Member

Members Absent: Lori Donna, Clerk; John Lindsay, Member

Staff Present: Cymone Haiju, Planning Director

3. Agenda Review

No changes.

4. Public Forum

The public may attend and participate in accordance with Vermont's Open Meeting Law (1VSA312).

5. Staff Updates

C. Haiju shared that the Recreation Department is still looking for a summer camp counselor. The Town Offices will be opening back up to the public on June 1, 2021. C. Haiju shared that on May 11, 2021, she took and passed her AICP exam and is officially a certified planner by the American Institute of Certified Planners.

C. Haiju stated that there will be a Public Hearing for the proposed 2020 UDR Edits on June 7, 2021.

6. Business

A. Add Wheelchair Ramps Specifically to Exemptions List Discussion

C.Haiju provided a brief overview of current language within the UDR regarding wheelchair ramps and introduced the following recommendation to add wheelchair ramps specifically to the exemption list:

(30) An ADA-compliant wheelchair ramp on a residential or commercial property that:

- (a) Do not extend into or obstruct a public right-of-way*
- (b) Do not interfere with corner visibility or sight distance for vehicular traffic; or*
- (c) Do not result in flooding or ponding of water on abutting property or public rights-of-way;*
- (d) Meets the applicable setback and lot coverage requirements for the zoning district;*
- (e) Is minimally sized and situated for the intended functional purpose.*

Motion was made at 6:17 p.m. by S. Duchesneau to accept the language for ADA-compliant wheelchair ramps on residential and/or commercial properties as written in Section 30 with a second by B. Frye. Motion approved unanimously.

B. Helipads and Airstrips Discussion

C.Haiju provided an overview of the recommendation made to incorporate UDR standards such as defining a new use for airstrips and/or helipads with the following language in Section 3120 of the Unified Development Regulations:

3120.A Definition. A site or structure intended to accommodate or support air transportation such as a runway, airstrip, hangar, terminal, control tower, or helipad.

3120.B Air transportation service uses must conform to the following:

(1) Helipads that are ground level, runways, and airstrips must have a 400 feet or more clearance of buildings, trees, and other large objects that can cause air turbulence and affect aircraft operations.

(2) The applicant for must include in its conditional use application to the Development Review Board a written statement from a licensed electrical engineer verifying that there are no nearby large electromagnetic devices that may cause temporary aberrations in the aircraft's magnetic compass and interfere with other onboard navigational equipment.

(3) An airstrip or runway must be at least 7 feet wide and not wider than 100 feet.

S. Duchesneau requested that the term "ground level" be removed from the Section 3120.B recommendation.

Motion was made at 6:30 p.m. to move forward in adding the proposed Sections 3120.A and 3120.B as written, and with the modification to remove the term "ground level" from Section 3120.B, with a second by B. Frye. Motion approved unanimously.

A brief discussion took place regarding desired timelines of adopting UDR edits in the future.

7. Minutes

At 6:36 p.m. B. Frye motioned to accept the April 6, 2021 minutes, S. Duchesneau seconded. Motion carried.

8. Adjournment:

At 6:37 p.m. B. Frye motioned for adjournment. S. Duchesneau seconded. Meeting adjourned.

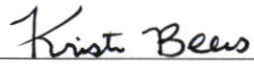
Respectfully Submitted,

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APPROVED MINUTES:

 Date: 06/15/2021
Tony Micklus, Chair

Filed with the Milton Town Clerk's Office on this 16th day of June, 2021.

ATTEST: , Milton Town Clerk