

Vershire Planning Commission Minutes for 5/12/21

In attendance: Bill Baylis-Chair, Bob Perkins, Eleanor Zue, Nicole White-Fogarty Debra Kingsbury-Sec'y Guest; Leslie Marmorale and Tonya Gunn

Bill Baylis called the meeting to order at 7:01pm. The Commission welcomed White-Fogarty, who had been appointed by the Selectboard to fill Bushey's vacated seat.

The minutes for April 14th were reviewed and approved.

Old Business: None at this time

New Business: Marmorale stated that she wanted to change the lot lines on the current survey to indicate the main residential dwelling to be on a revised 10 acre site and not on the existing 35 acre site. She stated that the current driveway would remain the access for that dwelling as well as to the smaller ranch home on the adjacent parcel. It was pointed out that the Current Use program would require notification and updated maps if the parcel lots lines were revised. Marmorale will contact her surveyor and return to the Planning Commission with additional information at the upcoming meetings. Baylis stated that the next PC meeting will be 6/9/21 at 7pm.

Additional new business: It was noted by several Commission members that there appears to be new building activity in town. White-Fogarty asked what had happened about the flyers that the Commission had recommended be distributed at recycle center to alert property owners as to the town requirements and town phone contacts. It was noted that the draft had been give to both the Town Clerk and the Dev Administrator, but never finalized. The idea of having a generic post card that the Dev Admin. could send to alert property owners when activity is seen on parcels was discussed. The Postcard could be printed so that the Dev Admin could address, and it would simply state:

"Dear property owner, Are you aware that Vershire has a development ordinance and that you are required to apply for a building permit prior to construction of any kind?

Please contact the Town Clerk at (802)685-2227 or email clerk-treasurer@vershirevt.org for a permit application. "

It was both suggested and recommended that the postcard notices be in differing colors to indicate late time frame notifications—Green for the first notice.. yellow for the second, and white with red lettering for the final notice... The initial building permit fee is \$25 plus the recording fee for \$15 and the late fee charge for filing after any building has started is \$250 plus the filing fee. Zue asked if the fees should be increased after the notices are sent. The Commission discussed increasing the fees for a property owner that ignores the notices and doesn't comply within 6 months and will review with the Dev Admin. when she attends at next month's meeting.

Baylis asked Gunn is she wanted to bring anything to the Commission's attention. She expressed her thanks and just wanted to sit in to see what transpired.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.