

Vershire Planning Commission meeting 8/11/21 approved

In attendance; Bill Baylis-Chair, Gene Sobek, Bob Perkins, Nicole White-Fogarty, Sande French-Stockwell-dev admin., Debra Kingsbury-sec'y

Called to order at 7:04pm

Review agenda-Minutes for 7/14/21 reviewed and approved

Old business; variance request for construction of a shed at 2821 VCR discussed. It was determined the following day that the Vt Dept of Agriculture granted a variance for the shed to be constructed 33 ft from the center of the road.

New business; Sobek reported that a generator out on Taylor Valley road is being run from 7pm until 7 am and can be heard from a quarter mile distance. The generator doesn't appear to power any adjacent structures and is causing noise pollution. It was also noted by several that the same property owner has been placing trash, appliances, bags of returnables at the edge of the property lines and offensive signs are also being displayed. It was noted that property owners have the innate right to enjoy their homesteads and not be constantly imposed upon. The Vershire town plan covers audible nuisances and signs require permits. The Selectboard has been notified of this ongoing situation and will reach out to Greater Upper Valley Solid Waste District about enforcement of trash being intentionally placed. 10 VSA Section 6602 refers to dumping and storing of trash. Discuss followed to ask the Selectboard to notify the property owner of the violations and attached fines. The Orange County Sheriff's dept will be notified as well. It was noted that the Town Clerk has also informed the OCSD and the Selectboard chair of the concerns. The planning Commission added that the violations had been habitual over many years and that should be added to the complaint records. Other town officials can verify viewing the offending items being the generator, signs, and trash. The Commission members were all in favor to request that the ordinance rules be enforced by the Selectboard and that the offending property owner be notified.

Other new business; Nicole reported that the Town Center Building Committee will hold their monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday at 7pm. she added that there is ongoing discussion about adding onto the existing bread oven pavilion and wishes to interact with Vershire Fire and Rescue to have their input about utilization for the annual BBQ for weather coverage. Nicole expressed the TCBC's thanks for all that helped spread the new chips at the playground and that Steve Ward had loaned his tractor that Nick Bennet skillfully operated making the job go much quicker. Nicole added that they along with the recreation committee are still organizing potential