Pomfret Planning Commission Meeting

Zoom Meeting 7p.m. Pomfret, Vt

6/7/21

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Present: Bill Emmons, Cy Benoit, Ann Raynolds, John Moore, Tim Reiter,

Tyler Haire, Karen Hewitt Osnoe (Zoning Administrator)

Absent: Nelson Lamson

Guests: Betsy Siebeck

Call To Order/Agenda Changes/Public Comment:

Billy Emmons called the Planning Commission meeting at 7:04 pm.

Public Comment. None.

Ann Raynolds moved and Cy Benoit 2nd to approve the 5/17/21 minutes... Motion carried.

Karen mentioned. ZBA hearing for Asher on Skyline Dr. 6/8/2021 Tentarr Hipcamp is cancelled. Asher will not move forward with the permit at this time..

Ann reported on:

Montpelier with 7,000 plus population and a paid police force. a (4) page sound ordinance... Not relevant for Pomfret.

Ann reported on Faston which has a performance standard for conditional use only: regularly occurring noise in excess of 70 decibels as measured at the property line, or which otherwise represents a significant increase in noise levels in the vicinity of the use so as to be incompatible with the surrounding area; ZA has a decibel reader... 9 out of 10 when he gets there

it is a different sound In fractions are weddings at the local Inn, Fireworks, Shooting... ZA tells them to stop and they stop.

Tim gave some comments on St Albans. Sound standard or sound ordinance. The meat in either should be the same. This is up to the PC to recommend and the SB to decide.

Betsy mentioned Light Industry is now town wide which would fall under conditional use and the existing nuisance standard which is subjective. Do we need something more specific?

Should the sound standard or sound ordinance also include residences?

Day and night (time of day) standards were discussed.

The level of resources (ie police force or not) is an important consideration as to the enforcement... Which party should pay for the sound study? What would be the additional cost if the town pays for it?

It was decided that a working group, John, Ann, and Billy, meet to compile in a report what we have done and bring to the commission... The commission will decide if we need more data or not before we take it to the next step an informational meeting.

We plan on having a survey before the town plan re-write due in 2024 and the sound questions will be part of the survey.

Ann Raynolds motion, 2nd John Moore Motion carried. adjourned at 7:50 pm

Next Meeting to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

John Moore, Clerk.