

Pomfret Planning Commission Meeting

Zoom Meeting
Pomfret, Vt

10/5/20

Approved 11/16/20

Present: Bill Emmons, Cy Benoit, Ann Raynolds, Orson St. John, John Moore, Nelson Lamson, Karen Hewitt Osnoe (Zoning Administrator)

Absent:

Guests: Betsy Siebeck, Ben Brickner, Scott Woodward

Call To Order/Agenda Changes/Public Comment: None

Bill Emmons called the Planning Commission meeting at 7:12 pm.

Ann Raynolds moved and Orson 2nd to approve the 9/21/20 minutes...
Motion carried.

Karen Reported the following are still work in progress on all items mentioned in minutes of 9/21/20

John Broker-Campbell Regional Flood Plain Manager is involved re the bridge on Log Cabin Drive as well as the access to the Carey property North of Harding Place.

Ann Raynolds reported on her research from Hartford, Woodstock and Weathersfield. Ann's concluding thought was except for maybe Woodstock the towns she called were much bigger than Pomfret. They had their own Police force and Town managers who policed the sound ordinance. Weathersfield is amending their standard. Ann suggested we contact towns of a similar size to Pomfret.

John tried to contact towns today but offices were closed.

The PC thanked Ann for extensive research.

Lively discussion on the Sound Standard and the Sound Ordinance. Scott was indifferent as to Pomfret having a sound standard. Scott did suggest we seek counsel from Joe McLean as to his knowledge of Sound Standards in general. There was discussion this is costly for the towns to administer whether a Sound standard or Nuisance standard. Stowe is now running into some litigation re Sound.

Action Items.

Pending research needs to be completed before we can determine what Sound Standard would best fit Pomfret. It was decided to continue to do our research. We agreed to list up the questions and responses from each town and have that in our hands before the meeting on the 19th. Billy to reformat the list of questions in a form format for completion. Towns on the list are:

Billy; Barnard, Bethel, Braintree, Bradford.

John; Norwich, Thetford, Rochester,

Ann; Hartford, Weathersfield, Woodstock.

It is general agreement that there is no rush we have time to do a detailed job. There was discussion we need to call some smaller towns once we finish this list.

Orson moved and Cy seconded to adjourn at 8:36 pm... Motion carried.

Submitted,

John Moore, clerk