

Town of Peru Planning Commission (PPC)
Minutes for the Meeting of Wednesday October 14, 2020 – 7PM----

Present:

Stewart Beattie
Mike Gayda
Will Goodwin, Zoning Administrator
Peter Robertson
Lucas Hughes
Lou Petra
Andy Dahlstrom
Jim Jordan

1. Call to order by Chairman – 7:05PM
2. Request to Change Agenda / Public Comments – None
3. Review and approve minutes of 9/9/2020. Approved by Mike Gayda and seconded by Jim Jordan.
4. Zoning Administrator: The PPC wanted to make clear that recent discussions related to rental properties were related to four properties that have been renting to large groups whom have proven to be disruptive to members of our community. The issue before the PCC is to attempt to find a reasonable means by which these problem properties can be managed and do not want to restrict normal rental properties.
5. The first option discussed was to draft letters outlining septic permitting vs rooms issues that PCC wanted to send to the four homeowners – preliminary drafts were reviewed Discussion of who the letters are coming from – Select Board/PCC/Health Officer. In the event that the homeowners do not comply, then it will be the intension of PCC/Town to contact the VT State DEC groundwater dept.
6. Discussion of whether the owners have been actually contacted regarding the current situation and the behavior of their renters. There is a Vermont State noise ordinance from dusk to dawn– VSP waits until 22:00 to enforce.
7. Discussion of whether there should be some kind of ordinance requiring website requirements - methods of behavior and how these properties is marketed and managed.
8. Discussion of whether the four houses are appraised and permitted correctly.
9. Committee was established – Will Goodwin, Andy Dahlstrom and Josh Witkin as a outside member to look into a draft of a new town ordinance with regard to these properties.
10. Recommendation that the PPC meet at the Select board meeting to discuss future steps and make sure that the letter covers all the bases.
11. New Town fee schedule that was approved by the select board
12. Permit was given by Hal for John Murphy and that permit stands

13. Next meeting set for 11/11/20

14. Meeting adjourned @ 8:10pm – by Mike Gayda and seconded by Peter Robertson