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Avon Planning Board

Date: April 27, 2023

Members Present: Chuck Comeau, Chair; Robert Pillarella, Member; Jason Suzor, Jr. Clerk, Charles Marinelli; Tracy Self (in person)

Members Absent: n/a

Others Present: Robert Annese, Esquire; Elias Elkhaouli, Trustee of the Priscilla-Sofia Realty Trust; Rami Sidini, Engineer; Lynne McKenney, Recording Secretary

Chuck Comeau, Chair called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. with all members present. Each Board member acknowledged their presence at the meeting by responding in the affirmative during the roll call.

This meeting of the Planning Board is being conducted via a hybrid method. The public may attend the meetings in-person or may continue to participate via remote Zoom access. Until further notice, in-person attendees, who are not vaccinated, will be recommended to wear a mask.

Minutes

A motion was made by Jason Suzor, Jr. to approve the meeting minutes of April 6, 2023, seconded by Charles Marinelli. No discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Vote unanimous. The motion carries.

A motion was made by Jason Suzor, Jr. to approve the meeting minutes of April 20, 2023, seconded by Charles Marinelli. No discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Vote unanimous. The motion carries.

Reorganize

A motion was made by Robert Pillarella for Chuck Comeau to remain Chair of the Planning Board, seconded by Jason Suzor, Jr. No discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Vote unanimous. The motion carries.

A motion was made by Chuck Comeau for Robert Pillarella to be Vice Chair of the Planning Board, seconded by Jason Suzor, Jr. No discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Vote unanimous. The motion carries.

A motion was made by Charles Marinelli for Jason Suzor, Jr. to be Secretary of the Planning Board, seconded by Robert Pillarella. No discussion on the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Vote unanimous. The motion carries.

Public Hearing Discussion

The Planning Board members continued their discussion regarding Avon Zoning By-Law 255-5.3 1b, Table of Use Regulations regarding self-service gasoline.

Mr. Robert Annese, Esquire, representative for Elias Elkhaouli, 273 East Main Street is representing the small business guy. He assured that all regulations state and local will be followed.

Robert Pillarella discussed the importance of implementing regulations. If the By-Law is voted in at the Town meeting, prior to an applicant requesting a Special Permit, the Planning Board needs to put regulations in place.

Chuck Comeau, Chair will make his recommendation prior to the Town Meeting scheduled for May 2, 2023.

Jason Suzor, Jr. agrees with both sides. Overall, he feels that self-service gasoline sales would benefit the town.

Charles Marinelli and Tracy Self feel that if there are regulations in place, they are willing to recommend the By-Law change.

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The Planning Board voted as follows:

Robert Pillarella is not in favor of the By-Law change, he does not support it.

Charles Marinelli is not in favor of the By-Law change, he does not support it.

Jason Suzor, Jr. is in favor of the By-Law change.

Tracy Self was not present for the previous Public Hearing. She opted out of the vote.

Chuck Comeau is in favor if there are regulations in place. He would like to check into regulations prior to voting. He will draft a written response prior to the Town Meeting.

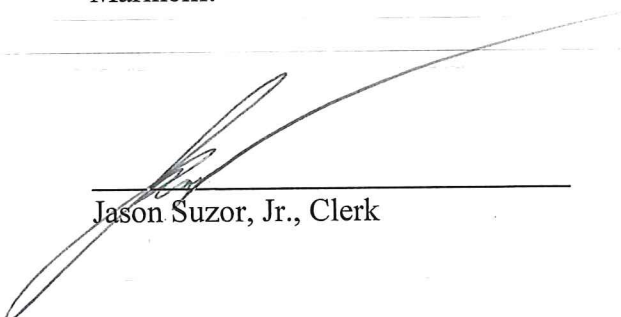
A motion was made by Robert Pillarella to close the Public Hearing regarding the Avon Zoning By-Law 255-5.3 1b, Table of Use Regulations regarding self-service gasoline, seconded by Charles Marinelli. No discussion on the motion. All in favor. The motion carries.

Open Discussion:

The members of the Planning Board welcomed Tracy Self as a new member of the board.

The Planning Board members discussed the next meeting date, May 18, 2023. The board reviewed the mail.

A motion was made by Robert Pillarella to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m., seconded by Charles Marinelli.



Jason Suzor, Jr., Clerk

List of Documents:

Meeting minutes – April 6th & April 20th, 2023

Meeting agenda – April 26, 2023

Planning Board misc. mail