

TOWN OF HUDSON PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING TOWN OF HUDSON, NH JANUARY 6, 2016



Hudson, New Hampshire 03051

603/886-6005



The Town of Hudson Planning Board's ad hoc Zoning Ordinance Review Committee (ZORC) will hold a scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the "Buxton Community Development Conference Room" at Town Hall. The following items will be on the agenda:

- I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 7:00 P.M.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- III. ROLL CALL

IV. NEW BUSINESS

• Initial ZORC Meeting, Relative to Updating the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

V. ADJOURNMENT

All documents pertaining to the above-described meeting are available for review in the Planning Office. Comments may be submitted in writing until 10:00 a.m. on the Monday prior to the day of the meeting.

The public is invited to attend.

John M. Cashell

Town Planner

Town Hall, Library, Post Office - 12-24-15

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Zoning Ordinance Review CommitteeStaff Report

January 6, 2016

Meeting called to order at approximately p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER BY CHAIRPERSON AT 7:00 P.M.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

In attendance = X; Partial Attendance = P; Excused Absence = E

Glenn Della-Monica, William Collins Donna Shuman Chairman Member ____ Member __

Charles Brackett Maryellen Davis

Member Member

1) Per Planning Board action at the November 1gth and December 9th meetings, the ad hoc Zoning Ordinance Review Committee (ZORC) was formed, and consists of the following Planning Board and ZBA members:

Glenn Della-Monica - Chair

Charles Brackett - Member

William Collins - Member

Maryellen Davis - Member, representing the ZBA

Donna Shuman, Member, representing the ZBA

- 2) Please note, the Planning Board, and an assigned sub-committee thereof, in this case, the Zoning Ordinance Review Committee (ZORC), is authorized to conduct a Zoning Ordinance Update, via RSA 674, Sub-section V., which reads:
 - The planning board may, from time to time, recommend to the local legislative body amendments of the zoning ordinance or zoning map or additions thereto.
- 3) As charged by the Planning Board, the ZORC will first define its goals and objectives concerning the Zoning Ordinance Update, and develop a timeframe in which to carry-out the update. To this effect, staff provides the following "food-for-thought" regarding this effort:
 - For the initial meeting, as the Land Use Regulations Review Committee (LURRC) did in their Land Use Regulations Update effort, the ZORC may want to start the ZO Update by commencing with a chapter-by-chapter review, relative to determining needed amendments/edits and synchronizing definitions between the Land Use Reg's. and the Zoning Ordinance.

- 4) In preparation for this initial meeting, staff requested Building, Zoning, Fire and Assessing Departments to provide any edits/amendments they would like the ZORC to consider acting upon. **STATUS:** to-date, the aforementioned department's comments are pending.
- 5) In preparation for the Jan. 6hZORC meeting, I assume ZORC members already have a copy of the Hudson Zoning Ordinance 2014 (latest edition amended thru March 2012). If not, hardcopies of same will be provided at the meeting. 1n the meantime if you do not have a hard copy of said ZO, on the Town's website, under "Hudson Town Code", you will find the ZO under Chapter 334 Zoning. Also, email a request for said ZO edition and I will mail one out ASAP. Please send this request I/C of blambert@hudsonnh.gov.
- 6) Please note, the present ZO is up-to-date in regard to NH state statutes associated with zoning and land use laws. So at least for the present, there are no RSA's to consider, relative to incorporating into the ZO.
- 7) Please also note, over the past 13 years that I have been Town Planner, the Planning Board, working together with the ZBA, extensively amended the following Chapters of the ZO:
 - a) Article V Permitted Uses, in particular, the Tables of Permitted Principal and Accessory Uses
 - b) Article VII Dimensional Requirements in particular, the Table of Dimensional Regulations
 - c) Article XII Signs in particular, Electronic Message Center Signs
 - d) Article XIII Housing for Older Persons
 - e) Article XVIII Commercial Wireless Telecommunication, Radio Services and Receive-Only Facilities
 - f) Article XIX Growth Management
 - g) Article XX Small Wind Energy Systems

In essence, in regard to the above-cited Articles, the ZORC may not have to spend too much reviewing these Articles. Perhaps, the exception will be Article XII – Signs.

In closing, if ZORC members would like additional information, leading up to the initial meeting on Jan. 6t\ please let me know and I will try and accommodate same. Otherwise, in preparation for this meeting, if your schedule permits, please try and read/familiarize yourself with the current Zoning Ordinance, relative to finding scribe errors, misspellings, and terms/sections that can be worded better, etc.

Happy Holidays to You and Your Families!