

Rupert Planning Commission
2 August 2021

Commissioners: Present: Jed Rubin, Chair ☒; Bob Bain ☐; Jean Ceglowski ☒; Kim Davis ☒; Phil Mazzucco ☒; Peter Pelton ☒; Charlie Rockwell ☒; Val Almosnino, Clerk ☒

Zoning Administrator: John La Vecchia ☒

Public: Don Lewis

Meeting called to order at 7:40 PM

July Val read minutes. Motion by Charlie to accept minutes as read, 2nd by Peter – approved.

Zoning Administrator's Report was not given but is available in its entirety at:
<https://rupert.vt.gov/documents/meeting-minutes/zoning-administrator-reports/>.

Jed asked if the commissioners had read the proposed Bylaw changes and were ready to discuss them. Consensus was yes.

First item discussed was Section 1.06(A)(4). Jed suggested the exempt structure(s) not be attached to another building. Charlie suggested we insert “freestanding” between “2 woodsheds”, making the bylaw read:

In all districts, no permit is required for up to 2 freestanding woodsheds, toolsheds, storage sheds, play sheds...”. The Board agreed.

Our next item was Section 2.01 (B) Overlay Districts. The suggestion was to remove the Forest Overlay District and create a Forest District. Further discussion is needed.

We then moved to Section 2.01 (C)(5). It was suggested that this section be reworded as: A parcel divided by a Town Line or State Line shall be considered one (1) parcel and the actual boundaries of the parcel will be used to determine required setbacks. The board agreed.

For Sections 2.03, 2.04, 2.05 and 2.06 it was suggested to make setback requirements for accessory structures the same as setback requirements for principal structures. The board agreed.

There was also discussion regarding building lot coverage, maximum building size, driveway access and fence height which the Board feels needs further discussion

Motion by Phil, 2nd by Charlie to adjourn at 8:30 pm. Motion Passed

Next Meeting: **13 September 2021**

Respectfully Submitted,
Val Almosnino, Clerk