

**Winchester Town Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes**

July 25, 2022

Meeting Called to Order by Jim Logan Chair, 6pm

Attendance: Commissioners: Jim Logan, Lenelle Scholl, Michael Eichhorn, Sulo Wainio, Lee Stengele, John Melzer, Glenn Goldschmidt. Absent Craig Van Ark.

Also in attendance: John Grimmer, Town Board Liaison; Richard Logan, Vilas County Supervisor; Allen Vehrs.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Lee Stengele, second by Sulo Wainio, motion carried unanimously.

Approval of June 27, 2022 Minutes: Motion by Lee Stengele, second by Sulo Wainio, motion carried unanimously

Correspondence: Chairman Logan discussed correspondence from: David Sadenwasser re: building setback ordinance guidance, Sherriff's Deputy Molle re: ordinance enforcement & Joe Ruth, Legal Counsel, WTA re: ordinance enforcement.

Winchester Town Board Liaison and any other reports given: Supervisor Grimmer reiterated guidance from the Town Board.

Old Business:

- 1) Discussion of Shipping Container Ordinance. Lee Stengele is looking into how other towns approach the problem i.e., what should be the setback, appearance, temporary versus permanent usage. Discussed whether permits would be reviewed/issued, and who would be responsible.
- 2) Discussion Town Equipment Inventory- tabled.
- 3) Discussion Town Properties inventory- tabled.
- 4) Town Setback Ordinance. Consider Road setback for Winchester townsite separate from the rest of the township making allowance for smaller lots. This was discussed at length by Lee, Sulo, and Dick Logan, including the fate of some Grandfathered and non-conforming structures. Lee moved that setbacks should be 15' from the right-of-way, and 35' from the center line of the road, and this was seconded by Sulo.
- 5) Turnaround rules were also discussed, and these need the approval of the

Town Board. There was also a suggestion that town crew members talk with landowners to help with snow removal, emergency turnarounds, and clarify just what areas could be used for a turning area. This topic may be scheduled during the next Town Board meeting.

New Business:

1) Fee Schedule discussion; reviewed Citation Enforcement, and what the penalty is if ordinances are not followed. The Building Inspector, Town Board, Constables, and Sheriff all can be active in enforcement.

Future Agenda Items: possible improvements to Winchester Town Park, Dam Inspections at the same park, and Economic Development versus Chamber of Commerce to advance Winchester's growth.

Meeting Adjourned: 8pm

Submitted by: Jim Logan