VILLAGE OF NORTHPORT
PLANNING COMMISSION
116 W. Nagonaba St.
Wednesday, January 25, 2023
Draft MINUTES

Note: upon request a Zoom recording is available for this meeting.

Call to Order, Roll Call:

Chair Arbury called the meeting to order at 9:12am.
Members present: Arbury, Cavendish, Woomer, Newell, and Wessell. Excused Absences: Gale and Caudill.

Public Present:

none

Staff Present:

Zoning Administrator- Joni Scott

Approval of Agenda:

no additions or revisions

Correspondence:

no correspondence for the special meeting

Public Comment:

none

Zoning Amendments - Work Session and Discussion Items:

Adopt the Meeting Schedule:

Commissioner Newell **moved** that we adopt the 2023-24 meeting schedule as presented, **seconded** by Commissioner Woomer. **Motion Carried.**

Review Draft Zoning Ordinance with Amendments*:

Planning Commission revisions (from 1/12/23 special meeting) to Articles 1-3 of the Village of Northport Zoning Ordinance Draft 2.0 12/12/22 were documented in the file, NPTzoningordinance1_3_PCrevisions011223.pdf** and were reviewed in the meeting. Additional revisions to that document are outlined in the accompanying document, NPTzoningordinance1_3_PCrevisions012523.pdf**

Article 4 of the Village of Northport Zoning Ordinance Draft 2.0 12/12/22 received from Wade Trim were discussed and revised. All revisions are outlined in accompanying document, NPTzoningordinance4_PCrevisions012523.pdf**.

Additional General Questions for Arthur Mullen (Wade Trim):

1. Can we remove junk yards as an allowable use in all districts?
2. Can we require an LUP (land use permit) for all structures, including sheds or structures that are smaller than 120 square feet?
3. Continuing to work on revisions to Article 3.29.
4. Under 4.04 Sign Regulations - #4 Substitution Clause, found on page 56 in the zoning ordinance, is this clause required or recommended? We would like to understand the purpose of including this clause, and if we can consider removing it entirely.

Additional Aspects to Review and discuss further:

5. Continuing to work on revisions to Article 3.29 to include all vehicles on wheels and are researching language used in other communities. We also feel we want to add a definition for some or all the following words: Recreational Vehicle, Watercraft, and Auxiliary Vehicle.
6. Continue to review 4.03 parking requirements and chart pages 43-51. In particular consider the initial paragraph on 4.03 and B. Usable Floor Area (UFA) and if it needs to include exterior seating. Discussion on how to require parking for housing in commercial districts, without increasing the parking lot and curb cut issues. We also then need to look closely at #4 Design Standards.

Public Comment:

none

Commissioner Comments:

none

Adjournment:

12:08pm Motion to Adjourn - **moved by** Commissioner Newell, **seconded by** Commissioner Cavendish, **motioned carried**

Next Regular Meeting - Wednesday, February 15th, 2023 at 6pm

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Cavendish, Secretary

** zoning draft 2.0 document is in Zoning Amendment Draft packet on website near the bottom of the planning commission page: villageofnorthport.net/planning-commission/*
*** NPTzoningordinancePCrevisions011223.pdf (reviewed version commission was working from in meeting) and NPTzoningordinance1_3_PCrevisions012523.pdf and NPTzoningordinance4_PCrevisions012523.pdf(revised versions created in the meeting) document is on the village website under the zoning ordinance tab on the planning commission page: villageofnorthport.net/planning-commission/*