

TOWN OF BRIDGTON
ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE ~ AUGUST 19, 2020 MEETING
MINUTES:

- Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- **Attendance:** Len Rudin (Chair); Deb Brusini (Vice Chair); Samantha Zawistowski (Secretary); Mary Tworog; Kevin Raday; Glen Garland; Carl Hoskins (Dog Control Officer)
- **Absent:** Lee Eastman (Board of Selectman Liaison)
- Dog Control Ordinance – Suggestions by Dog Control Officer
 - Add Keeper definition – anyone watching a dog even if they are not the owner can be charged
 - Add Leash section to ordinance – it is currently in practice and has been
 - i. Keep near “at large”
 - ii. Remove “female in heat” section and replace with a leash law for all dogs not on their own property
 - Add state statute references
 - Increase fines/add a town summons option to penalties at the discretion of dog control officer or responding police officer – police help cover dog control so including them is essential
 - Has received no direct input/feedback from Select Board (nothing to pass on to the committee in that regard)
 - Will email a copy of a town summons for the committee to use as a reference and increase understanding
- Approval of minutes from January 8, 2020 meeting
- Approval of minutes from January 19, 2020 meeting
- Approval of minutes from February 26, 2020 meeting
- Committee Report for Board of Selectmen discussed
 - Met after several months of inactivity due to COVID-19 health concerns
 - Request scheduling the pending workshop for ordinances submitted in February
 - Report upcoming 5 ordinances, our methodology is to follow the order of ordinances in our book unless instructed otherwise
 - Is Cost Recovery Ordinance our purview?
 - i. Possibly Recycling Committee, joint review, or ORC
- Curfew
 - Police Chief reports that this ordinance is important and should be updated and kept
 - Suggest community service not monetary fines for teens?
- At next meeting
 - Elect Officers
 - Review Nudity, Fireworks, and Disorderly House Ordinance to refresh the memories of the committee members and to update new members.
 - Continue with Curfew and Dog Control Ordinances

ACTION ITEMS:

- **LEN:** Ask police chief about suggested penalties for breaking curfew, Deliver Committee report to the Select Board
- **DEB:** Research state statutes which pertain to the Dog Control Ordinance.

- SAMANTHA: Type suggested edits to Dog Control Ordinance and email to Committee so it may be reviewed before the next meeting, email ordinances which were presented to the BoS, type Committee Report and send to Len
- EVERYONE: Review Nudity, Fireworks, and Disorderly House Ordinances. Review edits to Dog Control Ordinance.

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23TH @ 6:15PM
MEETING ADJOURNED @ 8:15pm

Sincerely, Samantha Zawistowski

