

## **ORC Minutes**

### **September 14, 2023**

#### **Attendance**

Members present - Len Rudin, Kevin Raday, Suzanne Schrader, Deb Busini, Mary Tworog

Others present - Tori Hill, Haley Richardson

#### **Call to Order**

#### **Pledge**

#### **Approval of August 10, 2023 minutes**

#### **Traffic and Parking Ordinance**

- Todd Perreault, EMA, wanted confirmation this doesn't apply to the fire department, police department, etc. It does not so we do not have to add anything to the ordinance.
- Cedar Drive off 302 by Moose Pond causeway
  - There have been verified complaints of poor visibility on North Side while exiting Cedar Drive because of parked vehicles and trailers.
  - Bridgton Police Department recommends the establishment of safe sight lines.
  - We will check with Bob Peabody and the Select Board but based on these facts we recommend having signs added. We would like to have this in the prohibited parking section of the Traffic and Parking Ordinance.

#### **Special Amusement and Outdoor Festival Ordinances**

- Tori talked to the department heads and they recommended not combining these ordinances and not changing the Special Amusement Ordinance.
- The Outdoor Festival Ordinance should be eliminated because it is outdated.
  - Outdoor Festival Ordinance has been ignored by Selectboard because it is too complicated.
- Look at Windham's Mass Gathering Ordinance as a model to replace the Outdoor Festival Ordinance.
  - applicant fills out form to supply numbers and brings it to town for approval
- Land Use Ordinance references Mass Gatherings, should this be part of Land Use code?
  - Mass Gatherings are not permanent so should it be part of Land Use Code?
    - would need to have a Planning Board public hearing
- Victualers licensing policies may have to be changed
- Types of gatherings
  - Under 500 people not considered mass gathering
  - 500-1000 people is a minor mass gathering
  - over 1000 people is a major mass gathering
- Mass Gathering vs. Permanent Use
  - If an ongoing use of land, such as regular music, it goes to planning board
- Things to consider
  - can event be in an area where normally not allowed use of land
- what about Four on the Fourth, Harmon Field, Rec sponsored outdoor events?
  - if a mass gathering is not a permitted use, should it be added to land use code, if it goes into LUC, the Planning board must have a public hearing
  - Deb will review Land Use Code to see what needs clarification
- license or code enforcement approval?
- over 1000, departmental review and CEO makes a decision
- permits need to be filled out so town knows what is going on if event is not town sponsored event

#### **Next Meeting - November 9, 2023**

- Discuss time frame for applications
  - 60 days for minor mass gathering??? 90 days for major mass gathering????
- Select Board public hearing for both???
- application form
  - Can it be filled out online?
- applications go to CEO, then Department heads, then select board?
- waiver of minimum application time??? Put this in ordinance???

#### **Adjourn**

