

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Planning Commission meeting was held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Aaron Goebel, Jim Read, Jeff Manthe

ABSENT: Dick Glatzmaier, Bryan Becker,

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

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Motion was made by Jeff Manthe to approve the minutes, second by Aaron Goebel, all in favor and carried.

ORDINANCE REVIEW

Amy discussed the need for the Accessory Structures (General Regulations) section of our ordinance to be amended as the wording is vague as to what is allowed. Ordinances from Albany, Sartell and Stearns County were presented to show how they lay out exactly what is allowed for accessory structures. Amy has pulled sections from all three of these ordinances to make updates to the City of Avon's Accessory Structure section of our current ordinance. The public hearing on these changes will be held at the April Planning Commission meeting.

The Planning Commission discussed short-term rentals in Avon and if we should start to look at adopting an ordinance. Pia Lopez was present at the meeting and she discussed the concern of the Stratford Homeowners Association and the short-term rentals in that area. Do short term rentals fit in residential neighborhoods and should they be limited? It was noted that some short-term ordinances have strict regulations that would include number of cars on the property, number of people allowed per residential structure (occupancy load), quiet time, etc. They discussed additional work load for the police department for issues such as noise. It was noted that some of these things such as quiet time are already in other areas of our ordinance.

*Can a short-term license be revoked if county issues a license and then city adopts an ordinance?

Amy will get ordinance from Alexandria and a few other cities so we can start the review.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. by Jeff Manthe, second by Aaron Goebel, all in favor and carried.

Respectfully Submitted
by Amy Pease