

**HAMPTON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
HAMPTON TOWN HALL, 164 ROUTE 97**

**MONDAY JANUARY 25, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING**

**Held via Zoom Videoconference**

Meeting recording can be found here:

**Meeting Recording:**

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1. **Called to Order** – Chairman Kevin Grindle called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.
2. **Roll Call/Seating of Alternate Members** - In attendance were PZC members Everett Hyde, Susan Hochstetter, Diane Gagnon and Stanley Crawford. Also in attendance were alternate Kathy Thompson and Town Planner John Guskowski. Alternate Randy Saylor joined the meeting at 7:42 p.m.
3. **Public Hearing**
  - a. **Application to Amend Section 6.15 (“Signs”) of the Hampton Zoning Regulations. Applicant - Hampton Planning & Zoning Commission** - Chairman Grindle informed the Commission that the public hearing was advertised in the Willimantic Chronicle on January 14, 2021 and January 21, 2021. John Guskowski introduced the amended section 6.15 concerning sign regulations and noted that the proposed changes were intended to bring the Regulations into compliance with the Federal Supreme Court Case *Gilbert v. Arizona* that mandated content-neutral signage regulation. There was no additional testimony or comment from the Commission or public. **Susan Hochstetter moved to close the public hearing. Diane Gagnon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**
4. **Additions to Agenda** – Stanley Crawford moved to add 8d Application to Amend Section 6.15 Signage to the agenda. Susan Hochstetter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **Audience for Citizens:** Citizens may address the Commission on items not otherwise on the Agenda – None
6. **Approval of Minutes: November 23, 2020 Meeting** – Stanley Crawford moved to approve the November 23, 2020 minutes. Everett Hyde seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
7. **New Business**
  - a. **2021-2022 Commission Budget Request** – John Guskowski presented the draft budget to the Commission. The Commission reviewed the budget and discussed changes to the draft budget concerning Notices, Planning & Zoning Training, P&Z Legal & Engineering & P&Z Planning Services. **Stanley Crawford moved to approve a commission budget request of \$40,517.00. Susan Hochstetter seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**
8. **Old Business**
  - a. **Affordable Housing Plan** – John Guskowski informed the Commission that a committee meeting is set for February 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm., and credited PZC Alternate Pat Cascio with positively encouraging public participation with the Housing Survey.
  - b. **Plan of Conservation & Development Implementation Priorities** – tabled until a later date.
  - c. **Route 6 Business** – tabled until a later date.
  - d. **Application to Amend Section 6.15 Signage** – Everett Hyde moved to approve modifications to Section 6.15 of the Hampton Zoning Regulations regarding signage with the following amendments; Section 6.1.5.A1 “State Traffic Commission” should be replaced with “Office of State Traffic Administration and Section D.1 should include the statement, “not to exceed 3’ x 5’ in size.” Stanley Crawford seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

- 9. Staff Report & Enforcement Issues** – The Commission reviewed Zoning Enforcement Officer Jay Gigliotti’s report.
- 10. Correspondence** – John Guskowski informed the commission about the Connecticut Land Use Law Seminar sponsored by the CT Bar Association that is coming up on March 6, 2021 and encouraged Commission members to participate.
- 11. Adjournment** – **Stanley Crawford moved to adjourn at 7:57 pm. Everett Hyde seconded and the motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted by:  
Rachel Linkkila  
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