

Arundel Planning Board Minutes

Zoning Workshop

May 3rd, 2018 @ 7:00pm

Arundel Code Enforcement Office - 468 Limerick Rd. Arundel

Board Attendees: Mr. Cain, Mr. Bergen, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Morin, Mr. Ganong, Mr. Bassett, Mr. Lowery, Town Planner Mr. Redway, Secretary Ms. Goulet

Attendees: Wayne Munroe, Mark Pinette

Call to Order: Chair Bassett calls meeting to order at 7:04pm.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion: Mr. Morin motions to approve. Mr. McGinn seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

III. LAND USE ORDINANCE REVISIONS

It's noted that the two largest hurdles to overcome in this process are which unit of measurement is most appropriate for the Town of Arundel and what should be designated as the minimum lot size.

Mr. Lowery requests that the Nutrient Management Plan not fall off the radar in looking at the bigger picture.

Discussion ensues about how to define a commercial farmer. The USDA definition is read but the existing animal husbandry definition, with some additional editing, is decided upon.

Motion: Mr. Lowery motions and Mr. McGinn seconds to define Animal Husbandry as: "The breeding and raising of domesticated animals for commercial gain, which generates in excess of \$5000 in gross annual revenue, including bovines, swine, lamas and alpacas, goats, sheep, poultry and exotic species legal in the state of Maine."

Vote: In favor: Mr. Ganong, Mr. Bassett, Mr. Lowery. Against: Mr. Cain, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Bergen, Mr. Morin. Motion Fails.

Discussion continues centered around exactly what a Nutrient Management Plan entails. Mr. Munroe lists some factors;

- Feed practices
- Manure structure – must hold 180 days' worth of manure w/ gutters if covered
- Soil testing

- Documentation of where manure is being transported if being taken off site

Motion: Mr. Bergen motions to reconsider previous motion as restated: To define Animal Husbandry as: “The breeding and raising of domesticated animals for commercial gain, which generates in excess of \$5000 in gross annual revenue, including bovines, swine, lamas and alpacas, goats, sheep, poultry and exotic species legal in the state of Maine.” Mr. Lowery seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to change the Carrying Capacity for Equines in Table 9.3.5-1 to 1 per acre instead of 2 as listed. Mr. Lowery seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Mr. Ganong jumps ahead to address section 7e.

Motion: Mr. Ganong proposes that Section 7e be edited to read: “All animal husbandry operations shall conform to the Best management Practices prescribed by the Maine Department of Agriculture. All applications for animal husbandry operations, which are required under State Law to maintain a Management Plan, shall submit a Manure and Nutrient Management Plan prepared by a Licensed State of Maine Nutrient Management Planner.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to adopt Table 9.3.5-1 as amended with the added column for the numbers allowed without the Nutrient Management Plan. There will be four total columns; Animal Type, # allowed with Management Plan, # allowed without Management Plan and Stock Points. Mr. Morin seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to delete Section 4c. Mr. McGinn seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Lowery motions to amend the minimum lots size in the R1 District to 20 acres. Mr. Bergen seconds.

Vote: In favor: Mr. Bassett, Mr. Lowery, Mr. Cain, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Bergen. Opposed: Mr. Ganong, Mr. Morin. Motion carries.

Motion: Mr. Cain motions to set the minimum lot size in the R2 and R3 Districts to 10 acres. Mr. McGinn seconds.

Vote: In favor: Mr. Bassett, Mr. Lowery, Mr. Cain, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Ganong, Mr. Morin. Opposed: Mr. Bergen. Motion carries.

Motion: Mr. McGinn motions to set the minimum lot size in the R4 to 5 acres. Mr. Lowery seconds.

Vote: In favor: Mr. Morin, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Lowery, Mr. Bassett. Opposed: Mr. Ganong, Mr. Cain, Mr. Bergen. Motion carries.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to limit swine to a maximum of 6 in the R2 and R3 Districts. Mr. Morin seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to limit swine to a maximum of 25 in the R4 District. Mr. Bergen seconds.

Vote: In favor: Mr. Lowery, Mr. Ganong, Mr. Bergen, Mr. McGinn, Mr. Bassett. Opposed: Mr. Cain, Mr. McGinn. Motion carries.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to consider Rabbits, Chicken, Geese and Turkeys allowed under all Districts in Table 9.3.5-2. Mr. Bergen seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Motion: Mr. McGinn motions to approve section 7c with proposed change of removing "shall be covered and". Mr. Morin seconds.

Vote: In favor: Mr. McGinn, Mr. Ganong, Mr. Morin, Mr. Lowery, Mr. Bergen. Opposed: Mr. Bassett, Mr. Cain. Motion carries.

Motion: Mr. Ganong motions to edit section 7f to delete "surrounding" and instead insert "or open" and to delete section 7i entirely. Mr. Morin seconds.

Vote: All in favor.

Mr. Lowery motions to adjourn at 10:07pm. Mr. Morin seconds.

Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Corinne A. Goulet
Secretary to the Planning Board