TOWN OF CORINTH PLANNING COMMISSION
PO Box 461, Corinth, VT 05039
Unapproved Minutes of Meeting
Thursday, March 5, 2025

Attending for the Planning Commission Russ Pazdro, Patrick Martin, Anne Margolis, Andrew Alexander (alternate),
Commissioners by zoom: Karen Reed, Liane Allen, Kimberly Remillard, Kenya Lazuli
Administrative Officer: Stephen Devoto.
Meghan Asbury (TRORC planner).
Matt Otterman, for Appleton application
Absent: Alternate Commissioner Jon Ruggles, Alexander was seated for Martin for the first 30 minutes.
Members of the public: James Guyer, Lee Porter, Mike Tagliavia
Members of the public by zoom: none.

Chair Pazdro called the meeting to order at 7:02PM.

Agenda
Margolis motioned to approve the agenda, it was seconded by Alexander. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments
There were no public comments.

Minutes
Corrections of date and attendance were noted on the minutes. Margolis motioned to approve the minutes of February 5 with these corrections, it was seconded by Alexander. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence
There was none

Waiver request regarding lot line adjustment, Appleton application
Joyce Appleton has applied for a lot line adjustment of property on Limlaw Road (Tax Map ID#122-00269), which would result in a greater than 10% change in the area of one of the lots. Otterman showed the map and discussed the reasons for the lot-line adjustment.
Margolis made a motion to approve the request for a waiver of the requirement that no lot can change more than 10%, for the application submitted January 21, 2026, for the parcel with Tax ID# 122-00269. The motion was seconded by Remillard, and passed unanimously.

Town plan discussion with Megan Asbury, planner from TRORC

Asbury outlined the process for updating the town plan.

- October, 2027: The current Town Plan expires
- December 31, 2027: The Municipal Planning Grant must be closed out
- The Municipal Plan is formally the Selectboard's product. It must approve it and then send it to the voters. The role of the Planning Commission is simply to do all the work.
- The grant plans for 3 public fora.

The Commission discussed a survey of town sentiment, and agreed that a properly done survey would be very helpful. Asbury will provide survey examples next week.
The Commission discussed whether it would be possible and advisable for Asbury to participate remotely, with a projector for the Commission to engage with the editing process. There was general agreement to try this approach for the April 2nd meeting.

Building Notification Ordinance

The Commission and members of the public reviewed the draft Ordinance prepared by Martin. Porter raised concerns that the draft suggested that temporary and insignificant structures such as raised flower beds, firewood rain protection, and hog sunshades would require the Building Notification form. The Commission suggested including the word "permanent" in the ordinance, and consulting with the listers to get their language for what is considered a taxable structure.

Election of Officers

Alexander suggested that election of officers should take place after the Selectboard had appointed new members at its March 9th meeting. Martin made a motion to table election of officers, this was seconded by Pazdro, and passed unanimously.

Blight ordinance

The Commission agreed to ask the Selectboard if it was interested in the development of a Blight ordinance.

Administrative officer report / Other

Devoto had nothing to report.
The Commission how to proceed following the negative vote by the town on the subdivision bylaws amendment. Alexander said that he felt the vote was a referendum on whether the town should have any land use regulations, not on whether the changes proposed in the amendment were appropriate. The Commission requested feedback from the Selectboard on whether to proceed.

Adjournment

Margolis moved, and Pazdro seconded a motion to adjourn. It passed unanimously and the Commission adjourned at 9:10PM.