



VILLAGE OF SUTTONS BAY
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Pro-Tem Christensen.

Present: Bahle, Case, Christensen, Smith and Suppes

Absent: Long and Lutke

Staff present: Fay, Larrea and Miller

Consent Agenda

Bahle moved, Case seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Consent agenda as presented. The Village Council meeting minutes of August 15, 2022, are approved. The payment of invoices is approved. Ayes: 5, No: 0.

Agenda Approval

Smith moved, Suppes seconded, CARRIED, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: 5, No: 0.

Public Comment

Public comment received from several Village residents regarding the moratorium on the Short-Term Rental (STR) Ordinance. Comments consisted of:

- Opposing the extension of the moratorium
- Consider extending the moratorium but allow current licensees to renew
- Doesn't believe the moratorium will alleviate the lack of work force housing, instead believes property values are the reason for lack of work force housing
- Allow renewals of current licenses through attrition
- Flexibility of property owners to do what they choose with their property
- Allow new applications
- Manage the existing STR's
- More liberation on the rental front across the board
- Emotional topic, STR's increase the economy and tourism
- What are the concrete concerns? What has the research shown?
- Not opposed to STR's

Suttons Bay Green will be meeting at Waterwheel Park on Tuesday, September 20th at 5:00 p.m. to pick up trash around the Village.

VSB 2022-56 Moratorium Extension

Bahle moved, Case seconded, CARRIED, to extend the moratorium for another 90 days beyond the expiration date. Ayes: Bahle, Case, Christensen and Suppes. No: Smith.

Comments from Commissioners and Manager were:

- What happens to licensees that have 2023 rentals already booked and need to renew?
- Consider member(s) of the public to be part of the STR committee.
- If licenses are capped, how are future licenses addressed?
- Maintain status quo and grant licenses to those licensees expiring during the moratorium period.
- Secondary considerations such as the distance between licensed STR's.
- A consultant has been hired to advise on the capping number of STR's and addressing the current licenses. Secondary issues would require another contract.

Good of the Order

Larrea stated the Village continues to work on the Waterwheel issue.
Bahle questioned STR's that are not licensed, such as at the condos.
Case asked if agencies have issued permits yet for Waterwheel Park.

Public Comment

Public comment received from several Village residents consisting of:

- It is a little presumptuous that a STR license would be automatically renewed.
- What is going to be the acceptable use of a primary residence that has a non-owner occupied ADU? If the primary residence is allowed to be a STR, then a good reason not to be in favor of a non-occupied residence with an ADU.
- What has been learned about the current STR's? Is there any data? Have penalties been issued?
- Shouldn't new STR applicants have the same rights and equal consideration.
- Allow licensed STR's to continue through 2023 as long as no violations have taken place.
- How are STR's policed?
- In favor of public involvement in the decision making in revising the STR ordinance.

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

Meeting minutes by Shar Fay, Clerk.