

Dummerston DRB Meeting 2/20/24

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Site visit proceeded the meeting. 5:30 pm 15 Leverwood Lane Dummerston VT. Home of Jonathan Benney and Lucy Pullan.

Site meeting was attended by members of the DRB, Alan McBean, Jason Doubleday, Cami Elliott and Chad Farnum. Zoning Administrator (ZA) Roger Vincent Jasaitis. Applicant Jonathan Benney.

Hearing was attended by members of the DRB, Alan McBean, Jason Doubleday, Cami Elliott and Chad Farnum. ZA Roger Vincent Jasaitis. Applicants Jonathan Benney and Lucy Pullan. Members of the public via Zoom Lesley Fryncko, Glenn Jurgen and Brad Palonen.

Alan McBean started the meeting at 6:03 pm by welcoming everyone in attendance and asked if anyone had any questions on how the meeting will proceed. Alan asked if there were applications for next month and if we would be electing officers for the DRB's next term. Roger Vincent Jasaitis stated that as of now there are no finished applications, and yes the board will be electing officers. 6:10 Alan read the warning and read the oath to Jonathan Benney and Lucy Pullan, applicants, members of the public via Zoom Lesley Frncko, Glenn Jurgen and Brad Palonen.

Alan McBean asked if Jonathan or Lucy wanted to explain their application in detail. Jonathan said they bought the house, their dream home, in October of last year. Prior to this they had traveled extensively for the past three years. Since they work remotely and still love to travel they'd like to use their home as an Airbnb in order to afford to travel. The main house only is included as a rental, all out buildings are not rented.

Lesley Fryncko had a question of public safety. She stated that since Leverwood Lane was a private road who maintained it during the winter. Jonathan stated his neighbor plows the hill for them or would hire someone if he needed to have snow cleared. Lesley also asked if pets were allowed and if so are they required to be on a leash. Jonathan said pets are allowed and their

policy is that if a renter felt unsure if their dog would come when called then a leash is required. Lesley asked how often they plan to rent the house out. Lucy said they only plan to rent it when they are away, as of now they only plan to rent it next December through January for 4 weeks.

Alan asked if any other members of the public on Zoom had any questions. Neither Glenn Jurgen or Brad Palonen had any questions.

Cami Elliott asked if they had any plans for signage. Jonathan said not other than the house number. Cami asked if they could explain the parking situation. Jonathan said there was room for 4 cars in the main lot, 8 spaces across the street and 10 to 20 spaces in two other areas up the hill. Lesley Fryncko asked how could there be parking across the street, was that their land? Roger Jasaitis showed the property map which showed the property extended across the street.

Roger asked about the number of occupants they plan to rent to. Jonathan said the house rents as 2 bedrooms for up to 4 people. They don't allow children, parties or smoking. They require guest to observe quiet hours from 10 pm to 6 am.

Alan McBean asked how they plan to rent it. Lucy said on Airbnb and possibly Vrbo.

Jason Doubleday asked if the septic had been inspected. Jonathan said it had been inspected for a seller that backed out prior to them buying it. He said it passed and they didn't have it inspected again. Alan said the minimum septic is sized for two bedrooms and this system would be grandfathered.

Seeing no further questions Alan McBean closed the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Chad Farnum

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