**TOWN OF PERU PLANNING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF 7/13/22 DRAFT**

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PRESENT-Mike Gayda-Chair Lucas Hughes on phone LJ Petra Will Goodwin ZA

* Call to order by Chair-5:31
* Changes to Agenda-None
* Approve Minutes of 5/12/22
* Old Business
* Short Term Rentals- The board discussed the following elements of a draft Short Term Rental Ordinance based on Woodstock and Killington’s bylaws and Chester’s proposed ordinance
	+ Short term rentals must be registered with the Town of Peru every five years using a form approved by the selectboard.
	+ This would not be a zoning permit, and it will not have to be recorded in the Peru Land Records.
	+ Short term rentals must be inspected by the state fire marshal
	+ All parking must be off street
	+ Rubbish and recycling pickup must be provided
	+ If the owner does not live on site, there must be a caretaker who is available 24/7 within 30 minutes’ drive
	+ No loud outdoor activities allowed between 9:00 P.M. and 7 A.M., fireworks, music, firearms etc.
	+ No signs advertising rentals will be allowed, a sign under 2 square feet with a name and address are allowed
	+ One or more posters with the following information must be prominently displayed inside the property
		- The caretaker’s contact information
		- Rules on parking, trash, noise, the safe handling of fireplace ash, phone numbers and directions for local hospitals
	+ The board decide NOT to set a maximum number of guests per rental.
	+ The board discussed whether an ordinance or a bylaw would be better, and decided on an ordinance.
	+ The town should have a Short Term Rental officer, to be compensated from a registration fee.
	+ If the STR officer finds someone to be in violation of the Short Term Rentals, the town should fine the homeowner a minimum $500
* New Business- none
* Z.A. Report- The State will submit a zoning bylaw workaround to enable the Bromley fire tower to be rebuilt.
* Meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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Mike Gayda, chair