Sugar Hill Planning Board July 5, 2023

Members: Margo Connors, Arthur Chase, Steve Monsein, Rob Hayward, David Thurston, Amy Venezia, Mike Valentine

Guests: Tara Bamford (via Zoom), Larry Sawyer, Jordan Applewhite

Chairman Rob Hayward called the meeting to order at 5:30PM on Wednesday, July 5, 2023. On a motion made by Steve Monsein, seconded by David Thurston the minutes of the June meeting were approved and accepted. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Master Plan Discussion

A draft of the survey was presented and reviewed. The phone number for the selectman's office will be added to the introductory paragraph. Margo suggested adding the purpose of the master plan is and why it's important to this paragraph. She will draft something and send to Tara via email. Mike questioned if there was an end date for the survey to be completed. Tara explained that the ask is within 2 weeks from the time the survey goes out but there is no hard set date.

Question #1 – all in favor of question

Question #2 and #3 - all in favor of questions

Question #4 - Discussion and clarification on options listed. All in favor of question

Question #5 – Tara explained this question dovetails on the Housing Opportunity Grant we were awarded. Discussion and clarification on options listed. Could we bold or underline the word 'easier' in the question to make it clearer that these options already exist but the question is on making these housing options easier; i.e. accessory dwellings. All in favor of question.

Question #6 - All in favor of question

Discussion about short term rental and should it be added to the survey. Board in favor of asking a question about short term rentals and discussed the wording. Decided on adding question; should Sugar Hill adopt regulations regarding short term rentals with a yes, no, not sure option to answer. Margo asked if there should be a question about community power added. The Board was in favor of this and Margo will draft a question and submit via email to Tara.

Tara will submit via email another draft with additions and changes noted to the Board before the next meeting for review.

With no more business the meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM.

Submitted by:

Amy Venezia

Secretary