

**Rockville Planning Commission
Work Meeting
Rockville Community Center, Town Hall
October 11, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.**

1. **ROLL CALL - CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Brennan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following Planning Commission Members were present: Garth Tyler, Tim Arnold, Linda Brinkley, Alternate, Robin Smith and Chair Brennan. Ken Rybkiewicz was excused. Clerk Bell recorded the meeting.
2. **DISCUSS THE OPERATION OF THE NEW REED SOUND LEVEL METER:** Chair Brennan stated that the new meter was now available in the office. The Commissioners were provided two sheets of paper, one with directions on how to use the meter, the second was the Noise Nuisance Report. The report is available for download from the Town website. Chair Brennan emphasized the importance of location when measuring sound. The rule of measuring sound is to measure from the property line that is closest to which the Commission has access. If permission is given from the next-door neighbor, a commissioner may go as close as possible to the noisy event. Permission *must* be granted to access private property. Often the road is the closest public property from which sound can be measured. The location from which the sound is measured should be noted in the bottom section of the report. Chair Brennan directed the commission to noise ordinance levels found in LUC Section 1.20 Noise and Abatement and 8.19.5. Daytime from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. is a maximum of 90 decibels. Evening from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. is a maximum of 60 decibels. Nighttime, from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. is a maximum of 50 decibels. Chair Brennan shared that calibration is essential for accuracy and calibration should be completed immediately prior to sound measurements. Commissioners were asked to complete the Noise Nuisance Report immediately following a reading and the report should then be emailed to the Town and to the Planning Commission Chairperson. If the sound level exceeds acceptable levels, the next step is to call the police. Chair Brennan stepped the Commissioners through the use of the Sound Level Meter.
3. **DISCUSS POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 9, SECTION 9.2 SIGNS:** Chair Brennan emphasized that content of a sign is not to be judged. The newest additions are Flags, Banners, and Flagpoles. As house height is restricted to 25 feet in Rockville, Chair Brennan suggested that any flagpole 25 feet and under, do not require a permit, but any flagpole in excess of 25 feet will need a permit. The size of flag allowed for flagpoles 25 feet and under is a maximum of 3x5 feet. Also, flags flown on any size of pole must not be in violation of the Noise Ordinance. If flags become loud in the wind, or any cable connected to the flag, both must remain within acceptable decibel levels. If flag noise is in excess of acceptable noise levels, other materials must be used, or the cables need to be located within the pole itself. Chair Brennan asked Commissioners to consider how to handle existing flagpoles that will not fit within the revised Land Use Code and if they should add a 'grandfather' statement. Following the discussion, it was decided that if a larger flag is added to an existing flagpole, the new flag would not be grandfathered.

Tim asked about 9.2.9.1 'General Prohibition' regarding billboards, rotating and signs resembling official traffic or government signs are prohibited. Section 9.2.9.5 'Traffic Device and Resemblance to' seems redundant. Tim suggested the second paragraph be removed and add 'signs resembling or *imitating* official traffic or government signs...' to 9.2.9.1. Garth summarized it begin with 'Rotating, moving, flashing, reflecting, revolving, blinking or neon signs; billboards; signs placed on vehicles or trailers...' Chair Brennan suggested removing 9.2.9.5 and adding 'Signs resembling or imitating official traffic or government signs' in 9.2.9.1.

Tim asked about 9.2.11 Signs and Conditions, item 2, 16 square feet per side, and item 3 needed clarification regarding poles and the actual lettering area. Robin suggested monument-signs have their own rule and use wording like 'the sign includes all framing and background material; outer edge dimension is the 16 feet'. That could follow with 'any structure supporting the sign can be no more than 2 times' to keep it in proportion. The commissioners suggested making one larger paragraph with all sign specifics, combining 9.2.11 items 3 and 4. Tim asked about item 5, in the event of *multiple* smaller signs, the maximum total area will be no larger than 16 square feet. Tim sorted through spelling and punctuation of various items. Robin suggested looking at Springdale's signage ordinance for guidance.
4. **DISCUSS PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CARGO STORAGE CONTAINER CHAPTER 9, SECTION 9.1.19:** Garth began with the permit application, asking if Section 9.1.23.(1) nullifies the requirement for a permit for a permanent agricultural container. Chair Brennan responded that

if someone builds an agricultural building, we still have a form for them to fill out. An agricultural container can be added to the Agricultural Building Form. A permit is not required but it needs to follow the rules and the Town need to be notified. FAA properties still need to follow the LUC but are exempt from needing a permit for farm buildings. Clerk Bell suggested that it be included in both places, agricultural buildings, and storage containers. Garth read the Permit where it has a blank area to fill in the 'valid until' date. Chair Brennan stated that permits are valid for a period not exceeding one year. She asked if a temporary one has a one-year limit with a six-month extension sounded reasonable. Tim thought six months with a six-month extension would suffice for any temporary container. Chair Brennan thought that would work well.

Regarding storage containers that are permanent and need to be painted, Chair Brennan stated that the verbiage needs to be specific to 'earth tones that blend with the surrounding landscape' suggesting muted colors. Garth read that 'Cargo Containers are considered accessory buildings and as such, are limited to the dictates of accessory buildings for the land on which they reside.' Clerk Bell suggested referring to the chart for accessory building specifics. Chair Brennan asked if all containers need to be 'behind the house' on all parcels as specified in the accessory building specifics and if a single container should be the maximum number permitted on a single parcel. Clerk Bell specified that with all accessory buildings, they need to be at least 10 feet from the rear of the house. Tim stated that the only location his neighbor's storage container could only be moved along the far fence-line, but it would not fit 10 feet behind the house. Chair Brennan asked for further clarification regarding the definition of 'behind' the house. Linda, Robin, and Tim discussed the various directions that each home faces and how it varies with each street and location. Chair Brennan stated that a single definition of 'behind the house' is required for fairness to all future applicants. Chair Brennan asked about grandfathering in existing storage containers and how it should not apply as all containers have been illegal thus far. Tim suggested that all existing storage containers need to get a permit and be moved to comply with accessory building rules. The commission agreed to further consider the wording and email considerations and revisions.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:** Garth **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Linda **SECONDED** the motion.

Vote on Motion:

Robin Smith - Aye

Garth Tyler - Aye

Tim Arnold - Aye

Linda Brinkley - Aye

Chair Brennan - Aye

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Minutes Prepared by
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APPROVED:



Planning Commission Chair/Vice Chair

The foregoing minutes were posted in the cabinet of the Rockville Town Office by Vicki S. Bell
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