

August 14, 2024 ZA's report to the SB

1. There are 2 mobile vendor license applications for the Boards approval tonight.
2. I have the wetlands application prepared by Fitzgerald Engineering for the Board to sign tonight. Once signed, I will return it to Fitzgerald, and they will submit it to the State. The fee is \$2313.50. The fee can be paid with the Town's credit card. Kim has paid the Town's annual wetlands fee that way, so is familiar with that.
3. The Agency of Natural Resources is updating their Vermont Significant Wetlands map. South Hero may be receiving new wetlands maps showing previously unmapped wetland areas or could see changes made to previously mapped borders. Landowners are encouraged to consult these maps before planning any development on their property.
4. I had been asked about the classification of the part of Hill Rd. that extends directly to the lake. Hill road is a public right-of-way until it turns west where it becomes a private right-of-way which was primarily the Gardner subdivision, approved in 2000, and on which several homes have been built or are under construction. The section that extends from the curve directly north to the lake extends between 2 properties owned by Phil and Cynthia Reynolds. I can only find that there still exist utility rights-of-way (Fire District #4) down this portion of Hill Rd., but no other restrictions or easements there. The O'Neil's of 42 Hill Rd. (private) had asked for documentation that it is indeed a public right-of-way. I am unable to find anything. The General Highway Map for the Town of South Hero produced by VTrans shows Hill Rd. continuing north directly to the lake. Is there any documentation?
5. Northwest Regional Planning Commission is hosting a ZA Roundtable on Thursday, Aug. 15.

Planning Commission

- A. The PC met on August 7. Priorities include continuing discussion on maintenance/repair of existing sidewalks. There will be a meeting on September 11 at the Library with residents of South St. to begin conversation about possible sidewalk location from RT 2 to the school. Each resident will receive a letter inviting them to this meeting. This is a special meeting since it will not be on a regular PC meeting night. There will be no regular PC meetings in September.
- B. The Commission is still seeking 2 additional members.

Development Review Board

The next DRB meeting will be this Wednesday, August 14. Hearings are so far scheduled through August 14.

Recent DRB decisions are posted on the Town website.

Respectfully submitted,
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