

**Village of Cold Spring
Board of Trustees
Workshop Meeting
June 1, 2021**

The Village of Cold Spring Board of Trustees held an online workshop via video conference pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 on Tuesday June 1, 2021 at 6:30pm. Present were Mayor Merandy and Trustees Marie Early, Kathleen E. Foley and Tweeps Phillips Woods. Trustee Frances Murphy was absent. Village Clerk Jeff Vidakovich was also present.

Discussion on Marijuana Legislation

Mayor Merandy opened the meeting with a motion to table the discussion (Agenda item #2) on marijuana legislation citing:

- Needs more time to prepare for the discussion
- Prefers to have a full board in attendance for the discussion

Trustee Early seconded the motion. Trustees Foley and Phillips Woods voted against the motion and it was defeated by a vote of 2-2-0-1.

Ensuing discussion identified deadline of August 2, 2021 – date which the Putnam County Board of Elections must receive certified copy of Resolution calling for a Permissive Referendum if it is to be included on November ballot. J. Vidakovich to follow up with Village Attorney to identify timeline and actions required prior to Aug. 2, 2021 deadline.

K. Foley suggested that materials be made available to the public via the Village website. Materials could include NYCOM Advocacy literature and information from NYS Board of Health.

T. Philips Woods suggested a survey to residents could be helpful. K. Foley added that a survey doesn't need to be lengthy.

It was agreed that the discussion will be continued at the next Board meeting on 6/8/2021.

Request to Operate a Food Truck on Fair Street @ Mayor's Park

Shirley Maloney seeking permission to operate a food truck 7 days a week from 10am – 4pm on Fair Street in front of Mayor's Park. During the discussion, the following was brought up:

- D. Merandy and M. Early noted that the location is problematic as it is under consideration for metered parking (as per recommendation of the Parking Committee) and to allow the food truck will necessitate reducing the number of metered spaces.
- K. Foley asked if the Recreation Commission should review the request for any advice they might offer the Trustees in their consideration, but the Board opted not to seek further input.
- K. Foley suggested that the food truck be located north of the parking spots in front of the gate to Mayors Park. After discussion it was decided that there is not enough room at the spot to operate safely.

The Board denied the request and instructed J. Vidakovich to inform the applicant of its decision.

Public Comments

Matt Francisco commented that residents should be aware of the revenue impact retail sales of cannabis could potentially have on the Village. He suggested that this be included in materials made available to residents.

Continued Discussion of Public Comments Concerning Short Term Rentals

The Board continued its review of the proposed Short-Term Rental (STR) code in light of comments received from the public. It was agreed that the following should be considered:

- After discussing whether there should be 3 or 4 categories of rentals to define, it was determined that there should be three categories
 - Hosted: Owner is on-site (includes whole residence and partial use of residence)
 - Unhosted: Owner is not on site
 - Special Provisional: A one-time use permit valid for up to a specified number of consecutive days
 - Fees and number of nights allowed need to be determined
- Fines for offenses were discussed. It was agreed that fines need to deter people from non-compliance. The following was recommended:
 - 1st Offense: \$1,000
 - 2nd Offense: \$2,000
 - 3rd Offense: \$5,000 and loss of permit
- Minimum number of nights per rental is two
- Only one rental at a time will be allowed for any unit
- Hosts will be required to maintain and submit a record of rentals annually
- The lottery system will be used only when the number of applications received is greater than the number of permits allowed

Approval of Minutes

- M. Early made a motion to approve the 5/4/2021 Minutes. K. Foley seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0-0-1
- M. Early made a motion to approve the 5/6/2021 Minutes. D. Merandy seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0-0-1
- D. Merandy made a motion to approve the 5/11/2021 Minutes as amended. K. Foley seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0-0-1
- M. Early made a motion to approve the 5/18/2021 Minutes. D. Merandy seconded and the motion passed by a vote of 4-0-0-1

Adjournment

Mayor Merandy made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Murphy seconded and the motion passed unanimously at 8:25 pm.

Submitted by: J. Vidakovich

Mayor Merandy

Date