

Rockport Ordinance Review Committee

Draft minutes of the 01-13-2022 meeting

In attendance:

Members: Chairman Richard Remsen, Vice Chair Robert Hall, William Gartley, David Cocky, Taylor Allen

Staff: Planning and Development Director: Orion Thomas, Select Board liaison: Denise Munger.

Absent: Planning Board representative: Mark Haley

Chair Mr. Remsen called the meeting to order at **8:00am**

Chair Mr. Remsen opened the meeting for a **Public Hearing at 8:00 am**

Agenda Item 2. Consideration of adopting Remote Meeting Policy.

Chair Mr. Remsen asked if there was a member of the public who had a concern about the Remote Meeting Policy.

No concerns were heard.

Planning and Development Director, Mr. Thomas, informed the committee that the Planning Office did not receive any written comments pertaining to the Ordinance Review Committee.

Chair Mr. Remsen moved to adopt the Remote Meeting Policy. Seconded by **Vice-Chair – Mr. Hall**.

Discussion: none.

5-0-0 vote passed

Agenda Item 4. Amend Ordinance Review Committee By-Laws to reflect Remote Meeting Policy.

Planning and Development Director, Mr. Thomas, read aloud the language to be entered into the remote meeting policy, as follows: *“Such meetings may be held in person or if allowed by state law or town policy, via electronic conference call or similar means if for some reason it is impractical for the Committee to meet in person.”*

Chair Mr. Remsen moved to approve the amendment to the Bylaws as such. Seconded by **Mr. Cocky**.

Discussion: none.

5-0-0 vote passed

Planning and Development Director, Mr. Thomas, brought up another section of the Bylaws that needed revision pertaining to the membership requirement to allow the Ordinance Review Committee to hold meetings in the future.

Vice-Chair Mr. Hall proposed to reduce the number from seven (7) committee members down to five (5) committee members.

Mr. Cocky moved to approve the amendment to the Bylaws as such. Seconded by **Chair Mr. Remsen**.

Discussion: none.

5-0-0 vote passed.

Planning and Development Director, Mr. Thomas, asked **Chair, Mr. Remsen**, to put a motion together to approve the Bylaws as approved at this meeting.

Chair Mr. Remsen motioned to approve the Bylaws as amended for the Remote Meeting Policy and the Membership number reduction as discussed and approved in this meeting. Seconded by **Vice Chair Mr. Hall**

Discussion: none.

5-0-0 vote passed.

Chair Mr. Remsen closed the public hearing at 8:05am

Agenda Item 6. Next Meeting Date/Time to determine

Mr. Remsen asked if the Ordinance Review Committee could meet on **January 20th 2022 at 8:00am via zoom.**

5-0-0 vote in favor of meeting at that specified time.

Agenda Item 7. Other Business.

Vice-Chair Mr. Hall discussed briefly the Wireless Telecommunications Ordinance Amendment and suggested that the Ordinance Review Committee address this ordinance amendment proposal at the next meeting.

Chair Mr. Remsen called the meeting to adjourn at **8:07am**

Minutes prepared by

Planning and Development Director, Mr. Thomas.