

**TOWN OF WOLFEBORO PLANNING BOARD  
SHORT TERM RENTAL SUBCOMMITTEE**

*MODAY, March 22, 2021*

**Minutes**

Members Present:	John Thurston	Members Absent:	Kathy Barnard
	Geordy Hutchinson		Peter Cooke
	Cindy Melanson		Susan Replier

Staff Present: Tavis Austin, Planning/Dev., Steven Paquin, Codes; Deputy Chief Zotti, FD; Chief Rondeau, PD

Mr. Thurston opened meeting with roll call of members and guests at 10AM. Discussion then turned to feedback to Committee's questions as posed to Fire, Codes, and Police.

Mr. Zotti stated limited history of specific complaints and explained how Fire Codes would or could be applied, as appropriate to short term rentals.

Mr. Rondeau echoed Mr. Zotti with respect to limited specific complaints. He provided a general overview of the Department's role and responsibility relative to short-term rentals.

Mr. Paquin explained the multiple Code triggers for both compliance and enforcement remedies.

Committee members discussed impacts to be addressed.

Mr. Austin asked the committee for clarification as to 'what the problem' was the Committee was attempting to remedy. He continued that the appropriate staff are present to assist with such a remedy once the 'issue' can be identified.

Mr. Thurston opened the meeting to public comments. Suzanne Ryan stated her belief that short-term rentals were commercial and therefore not allowed under the current zoning.

Mr. Thurston set the next Committee meeting for April 12 at 10 AM. It was suggested that the Town notice the meeting on the Town website and in the paper in order to invite homeowners' Associations to the next meeting.

Ms. Melanson motioned to adjourn at 11:30 A; Mr. Hutchinson seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous, roll call vote.