Minutes of the CAC Meeting, September 12, 2023

Virtually Attending: Erin Robertson, Jamie Purniton, Wally Williamson, Choral Eddie, Amy Gold, Colleen Lutz, Jay Lorenz, Jane Meigs, Jono Meigs.

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm

Approved August 2023 meeting minutes.

There was only one agenda item for this meeting: Suggested zoning revisions for the Scenic Corridor Overlay Zone (SCOZ). Prior to the meeting, revisions and edits were suggested via email and a Word document.

Several additional items in the law were discussed. First, the CAC believes that these regulations should apply to all development applications within the overlay district.

The language and grammar should remain consistent throughout the law. All area references should be in square feet, not acres. Significant Habitat and Woodlands should be added to the definitions of the Zoning Law.

Additionally, to protect ridgelines in this sensitive and scenic area, the top of the structure should be situated 40 ft below the crest line of the ridge. Language should be added to encourage building/structure height to be the minimum necessary height to achieve the purpose of the building/structure.

Jamie suggested that the law add wildlife appropriate lighting which considers the impact of night lighting on wildlife as well as human safety. She stated that she would submit additional language to help guide the planning board or ZBA when reviewing the lighting plans of applications.

Jay Lorenz reminded the CAC that the Resilient Farming Group would be holding a walk at Rheinstrom Hill Audubon Center on September 30rd, 2023 at 10AM.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Colleen Lutz