

City of Newport
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2024


Members Present: John Monette Chair, Denis Chenette, Gina Cirelli and Jay Walsh

Members Absent: Kevin Mead, Carole O'Connell

Others Present: Zoning Administrator Frank Cheney, Mayor Linda Sullivan

- **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Monette at 6:35 p.m.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Denis Chenette made a motion to approve the minutes of July 9, 2024, Jay Walsh seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.
- **Public Comment:** none
- **Bylaw Modernization-**
 1. The Planning Commission completed an extensive review of the regulatory requirements relating to Short Term Rentals in Newport. The commission will recommend that an Ordinance be created to provide oversight over this land use. Recommendations for the creation of a rental registry and ordinance standards/requirements were also outlined and will be submitted to city attorneys for legal review.
- **Old Business:** John Monette provided the Zoning Administrator with results of his informal review of language contained within the newly drafted unified regulations.
- **New Business:**
 1. The Commission reviewed documents associated with a proposed electrical infrastructure upgrade submitted by VELCO for their property located on Clyde Street in Newport.
- **Agenda:** The next scheduled Planning Commission Meeting will be held on August 6, 2024, at 6:30p.m. in the Newport City Council Room. The agenda will be like tonight's meeting.
- **Adjourn:** Denis Chenette made a motion to adjourn, Gina Cirelli seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Approved this 6 day of Aug, 2024.

 _____ Chair, Newport City Planning Commission