TOWN OF KILLINGTON PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting of February 13, 2019

PRESENT: David Rosenblum, Chair
Jennifer Conley, Vice Chair
Walter Linnemayr, Clerk
Chris Karr
Andy Salamon
Vince Wynn
Preston Bristow, Interim Town Planner
Lucrecia Wonsor, Recording Secretary

ABSENT: Vito Rasenas

GUESTS: Kirstin Erickson; Richard Mercier; Steve Selbo; Jeff Temple; Ken Wonsor

David Rosenblum, Chair opened the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Conley moved the Agenda be accepted as may be amended. Wynn seconded. All in Favor.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Linnemayr moved that the Minutes of December 12, 2018 be approved as may be amended. Karr seconded. All in Favor.

3. CITIZEN’S INPUT – None.

4. INTRODUCTIONS

David Rosenblum introduced and welcomed Preston Bristow, the Interim Planner and Zoning Administrator. Bristow provided some background information and indicated it was a pleasure to be here.

5. NEW BUSINESS

   a. Discussions with Jeff Temple, Killington Resort, regarding upcoming projects – Jeff Temple started his presentation by reviewing the status of permitted 2018 projects – i) The South Ridge Ski Lift Replacement, Skyeburst Ski Tunnel, Storage Shed addition to the Alpine Training Center, Snowdon Quad Ski Lift Replacement, ski trail installation in the Snowdon area, Ramshead area Swirl Trail Poma Lift Relocation and addition of addition Summer amenities, such as the Wrecktangle were completed. ii) Two of the three tunnels in the Upper Bunny/Upper Chute/Lower Snowdon areas have been completed. The third tunnel is set to be completed this summer. iii) The Highline Ski Trail Race Venue judge’s structure has been approved and is awaiting funding. iv) The Resort is continuing to work on a water source for Pico and hopes to
have approvals in place this summer so that construction can begin. v) There are no new mountain bike trails planned but the maintenance crew will be re-working the configuration of some of the older trails to ensure proper erosion controls and trail stability. vi) A pond walk/run course will be completed this spring along with a Mountain Gym on the end of the Grand Hotel to add to the summer amenities.

The following projects are being readied for review and permit application: i) North Ridge Lift Replacement; ii) Re-configuration of Squeeze Play Trail; iii) K1 Lodge Replacement; iv) 3-4 additional Mountain Biking trails are being designed; and v) Pico Trail Enhancements including the continued widening of B-slope and A-slope as well as looking to try and upgrade the pumping station.

Jeff concluded by giving a brief review of some projects that are being reviewed but are not being submitted for permitting, such as partial to full replacement of the Superstar Express Quad, full replacement of the Pico Outpost Double and partial to full replacement of the Ramshead Express Quad with covered carriers and storage facility.

6. OTHER BUSINESS – None.

7. COMMISSIONER’S CONCERNS

a. Salamon advised that he gave a science lecture to the Killington Elementary 6th Grade class regarding water runoff and its effects on Lake Champlain. In preparing for this lecture, he picked up some maps from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and found out that there is one river (Brewer’s Brook) that starts in Killington and goes downhill to the west that feeds into Rutland City’s drinking water. It then continues on and dumps into the Otter Creek which flows into Lake Champlain. Killington does not have any large farms but does have runoff from trails and roads. Rutland monitors the runoff into their watershed but the impact on Lake Champlain comes from the runoff from the large farms on either side of the Otter Creek outside of Rutland and on its way to Lake Champlain.

Linnemayr moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. Salamon seconded. All in Favor.

The next Planning Commission meeting will be determined at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucrecia Wonsor
Recording Secretary

NOTE: These minutes have not been approved by the Planning Commission and are, therefore, subject to change.