

**Town of Germantown  
Short Term Rental Committee  
07/25/2022 Meeting Minutes**

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Minutes prepared by Laura Sink.

Chairperson Jan opened the meeting at approximately 6:05 pm.

**Members in attendance:**

Jan Borchert - Chair  
Rachel Levine  
Maggie Goudsmit

Laura Sink  
Molly McClaron  
Sarah Gaskin (remote)

Molly makes a motion to approve last month's minutes, Sarah seconds. Notes that minutes are different in last meeting due to formatting and different note-taker.

**Discussion on Total Number / Cap on STRs**

- Sarah notes that the planners interviewed for the town zoning mentioned that the numbers when capped / limited were negotiated by the town people to be a higher number.
- Question the accuracy of 2020 census numbers for parcels (number of houses) (614)
- Goal is to protect the current STR hosts as well as housing stock

**Discussion on Farm Stay STRs**

- Discussion of what it will take to include the Farm Stay STR in our zoning law
- Zoning law will have to include new language
- How will it be inspected?
  - Seasonal
  - Means of Egress
  - Habitable Shed or platform for tents / yurts
- 7 acre minimum acreage

**Violations / complaints**

- Who is contacted?
- Email or in person complaints filed to CEO

**Next Steps**

- Clean up Draft

- Maggie will work on Handbook for guests
- Laura will overlay maps AirDNA & Germantown boundary
- Jan will reach out to CEO about inspection requirements
- Sarah will get numbers from Ralph on parcel / number of houses
- Send organized version to Town Board / lawyer for review
- Town Board with added outreach to town
- Public **Workshop** vs Hearing

**Public Comment**

None

Motion to close the meeting made by Sarah. Rachel seconds. Meeting ends at 8:11.