

Town of East Hampton
Economic Development Commission &
Planning & Zoning Commission
Workshop
Tuesday, July 27, 2021
Town Hall 2nd Floor Meeting Room and Zoom
6:30 PM

MINUTES

EDC Members Present: Matthew Reich (Chair), Ted Turner, Tim Csere, Jase Doane, Walt Jedziniak,
PZC Members Present: Ray Zatorski (Chair), Jim Sennet, Angelus Tammaro, Roy Gauthier, Michael
Kowalczyk
Others Present: Jeremy DeCarli, Planning and Zoning Official

1. Call to Order

Chairman Zatorski called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

2. Discussion of Home-Based Occupations

The combined group discussed various aspects of the regulations that were reviewed and definitions used in other towns. The group discussed and agreed that a tiered system would work well, one in which low intensity activities would be allowed as-of-right, without the need for a permit, and more intense uses would need a permit. The group discussed items such as signage, vehicles, customers, storage of materials, employees, and the difference between a business and a hobby. It was determined that there should be a differentiation between something that is truly a business and an activity that is simply a hobby.

Other topics discussed included the possibility for the ZEO to issue permits with the ability to send certain activities to the full Commission, an appeal process, and how to encourage certain activities and discourage others.

It was decided that two separate definitions and regulations were preferred. The group asked Staff to draft definitions for Home Occupation (low intensity, no permit) and Home Based Business (higher intensity with a permit required) and draft a regulation for Home Occupation for the next meeting.

3. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.