

**Town of Fenwick Island
Minutes of the Charter & Ordinance Committee Meeting
July 6, 2018**

Call to Order at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Committee Members Bill Weistling, Bernie Merritt, Vicki Carmean, Mike Quinn, Bill Mould, Terry Tieman and Pat Schuchman

Absent: Doug Lopez, Virginia Childers-Davidson

Public in Attendance: Willa Peoples (Fenwick Pet Stop), Tim Collins

Minutes:

- Vicki Carmean made a motion to approve the minutes of March 2, 2018 seconded by Bernie Merritt. Motion passed.

Issues for Discussion & Possible Action:

- Bill Weistling informed the committee the discussion would be to add a pet grooming salon on the list of allowable uses in the commercial zone.
- Currently, Chapter 160-5A(2) allows retail store or personal services shop but prohibits activities requiring outdoor use of power tools or animal treatment and/or sale.
- Mr. Weistling asked Mrs. Peoples to explain her grooming plans for her current retail store (Fenwick Pet Stop).
- She stated the grooming area would be located at the rear of the store and would require a new bathing tub for the animals and 2 – 3 drying crates.
- She will offer grooming by appointment only, one pet at a time. The service would be limited to dogs, cats and occasionally birds. She would also offer at home grooming on an as requested basis, more frequently for older animals who have special needs.
- She added she must follow state guidelines for the grooming business and no animals will be treated who do not have their veterinary papers certifying the animals have had their shots.
- Her liability insurance already in place for the business will cover services for pet grooming.
- A discussion among the committee will be to amend the current ordinance to permit grooming of dogs, cats and birds and will be restricted to the commercial zone only.
- A Proposed First Reading will be presented at the July 27th Town Council meeting.

Next Meeting:

No August meeting. Next meeting to be determined.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Mr. Weistling stated there may be possible discussion of changes to the sign ordinance at a future C&O meeting.

Adjourn:

Bernie Merritt made a motion to adjourn seconded by Bill Mould. Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.