

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2026, 6:30 P.M., COUNCIL ROOM 207, 84 SOUTH MAIN  
ST., CHESHIRE, CT 06410**

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Present:

Lou Todisco, Jim Jinks, David Veleber

Staff/Guests: Andrew Martelli, Assistant Town Manager; Joe Dattilo, Historic District Commission Chair; Fred Jortner, Police Chief; Mike Durkee, Deputy Police Chief; Don Miller, Police Captain

Absent: N/A

Lou Todisco called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Noelle Shepard called the roll, and a quorum was determined.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**IV. REVIEW OF ADDITIONAL MUNICIPAL REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT  
OPTIONS RE: ATV USE, DIRTBIKE USE, AND STREET TAKEOVERS.**

Police Captain Don Miller explained that changes in State legislature allowed for stricter enforcement with ATV use, dirt bike use, and street takeovers. Towns are able to enact additional enforcement methods through local ordinances. Attorney Donofrio explained that North Haven instituted an ordinance last year that included fines and impounding.

The Committee agreed that this is a good start for discussion and instructed Attorney Donofrio to draft potential ordinance language. The Committee requested that once a draft is completed, it be distributed to the Police Department and Parks and Recreation Department.

**V. DEMOLITION DELAY ORDINANCE DRAFT (NEW) – REVIEW AND POSSIBLE ACTION.**

The Committee discussed the meeting minutes from the February 18, 2026 Ordinance Review Committee meeting. Attorney Donofrio was present at this meeting but was not listed. David Veleber motioned to approve the meeting minutes with this change, and Jim Jinks seconded. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

The Committee decided to send out a notice later in the summer to the impacted residents notifying them about the public hearing once that date is set. Discussion was had on ensuring that the wording in the public notice is concise. Joe Dattilo brought up the possibility of adding a pre-application meeting to the ordinance, which the Committee agreed to include.

The Committee members suggested grammatical changes to the draft. They asked that the draft be revised and circulated back to the Committee members for review. David Veleber asked about the Alice Washburn houses and mentioned that there would be one on Patton Drive that due to the date of construction would not be covered under the draft ordinance. Discussion was had on the possibility of a mechanism for residents to petition to add their house to the list.

The Committee decided to schedule another meeting on Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Room 207/209.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

David Veleber motioned to adjourn, and Jim Jinks seconded the motion. All in favor, the motion passed unanimously by those present, 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Attest:

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Noelle Shepard, Management Specialist