

BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes for December 7, 2015

Members Present:

Meagan Bradshaw, John Dodson, Steve Hermanson, Henry Blessing, Jerry Mercer, Stephen Kelley, Elmer Chewning, Guy Boone, Wade Hall, Deborah Looney

Members Absent:

Jim Baker

Others Present:

Eric Workman, County Administrator
Joel Cagle, Planning Commission Secretary
Paul Cassell; County Attorney
Rocky Warren; District Planer, MRPDC

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00 PM, Chairman Mercer called the meeting of the Bland County Planning Commission to order at the Bland County School Board Office; Bastian, Virginia. The Invocation was given and allegiance was pledged to the flag of our country by everyone present.

ROLL CALL

Secretary Cagle took the roll call and announced that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 2, 2015. Commissioner Chewning made the motion to approve the meeting minutes of November 2, 2015; Commissioner Hermanson provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Application for Re-Zone; Dorothy S. Kidd, 91-A-2 was presented. Ms. Kidd wishes to re-zone the property from agricultural to commercial. A public hearing was opened. Mr Fulton Kegley addressed the Planning Commission with his concerns of the effects of a commercial use next to his mother's farm land. His concerns were that of environmental, privacy, and litter. There being no more registered speakers, the public hearing was closed. A motion was made by Commissioner Bradshaw to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that tax parcel no. 91-A-2 be re-zoned to commercial. A second was made by Commissioner Blessing, with a unanimous ballot tendered.

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NEW BUSINESS

-An application from Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores, Inc. was presented. Love's Inc. is requesting a CUP to operate a Truck Stop on Tax Map No. 49-A-2 & 2A. The current land owner, Mr. Stower, Jr., was present. The application was presented by Dr. Workman. A motion to hold a public hearing on December 29, 2015; at the Bland County Courthouse at 6PM was made by Commissioner Looney, with a second provided by Commissioner Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

-Comprehensive Plan Update was given. The draft of the Housing chapter was discussed and edits made.

ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission at this time, Commissioner Kelley made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Dodson provided the second, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:10PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel K. Cagle- Secretary
Planning Commission
County of Bland