Mount Jackson Planning Commission January 4, 2017

Chairman Larry Ambrose brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber at 5901 Main Street. In attendance were Msess. Burner and Miller and Mr. Hackenbracht. Town Manager, Kevin Fauber and Town Clerk, Heather Taylor were present. Mayor Miller was present as well as Councilmembers D. Andrick, W. Miller and Rod Shepherd. Darren Coffey, consultant from The Berkley Group was present as well as several visitors from the community.

<u>Additions/Deletions/Changes</u>: Chairman Ambrose stated that due to an incident on I-81 the approval of the previous month's meetings would be moved to later in the meeting when all commissioners could be present.

Chairman Ambrose presented a hand crafted platter to Bonnie Good for her 13 years of service to the Town of Mount Jackson Planning Commission.

Visitor Whitney Miller addressed the need for a new policy for the appointing of new planning commissioners which would include questions/interview. She also discussed the topic of the number of commissioners changing to either 5 or 7.

<u>Old Business:</u> Comprehensive Plan Update and Zoning Text Amendment – Update from Darren Coffey with the Berkley Group.

Town Manager, Kevin Fauber sent information to the commissioners to review prior to this meeting and requested that they give feedback to Darren Coffey. Mr. Coffey's update includes responses from the Berkley Group on that feedback.

Darren Coffey suggests that the town hold a Joint Work Session to discuss the Comprehensive Plan with the Council February 6, 2017, prior to the Planning Commission meeting. This work session could result in a complete draft. The community is invited to this work session although the discussion with the Berkley Group will include the appointed and elected body. Drafts and maps will be available to the public.

In regard to the Zoning Text Amendment, the Berkley Group has put together a matrix of other counties and recommendations are made to the town based on what other counties have done. This will help to differentiate Districts I-1 & I-2.

Commissioner Whitehurst arrived at the meeting at 7:25 p.m. due to an incident on I-81.

Darren Coffey will update Kevin Fauber on the results of the discussion and will get the information to him. This update includes the answers from those questions and the update has since been received by the town from the Berkley Group and is included as separate documents in these

minutes; Article XI-I-1 District

Article XII-1-2 District Industrial Use Definitions

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Chairman Ambrose welcomed newly appointed Planning Commissioner, Evelyn Burner to the commission.

<u>Minutes:</u> Commissioner Hackenbracht MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Miller to APPROVE the minutes of December 5, 2016, Regular meeting.

VOTE:

<u>AYE</u> <u>NAY</u> <u>ABSTAIN</u>

Commissioner Burner None None

" Hackenbracht

" Miller

Whitehurst

4 AYES, motion carried

New Business: None

Actions of the Board of Zoning Appeals: None

Report on Town Council Items: None

Zoning Administrator Report: None

Board Members' Report: None

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Miller at 9:04 p.m.

Submitted by:

Heather M. Taylor

Town Clerk