

MOUNT JACKSON  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 4, 2016

Chairperson Good called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. In attendance were Mses. Diehl, Ludwig and A. Miller and Messrs. Hackenbracht and Hand. Commissioner Bowyer was unable to attend. Town Manager, Kevin Fauber and Town Clerk, Heather Taylor were not able to attend. Commissioner Good served as recorder for the meeting. Visitor: Eleanor Whitehurst.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

Minutes: Commissioner Hackenbracht MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Hand, to APPROVE the minutes from March 7, 2016,

VOTE:

AYE

NAY

ABSENT

Commissioner Diehl

Commissioner Bowyer

“ Hackenbracht

“ Hand

“ Ludwig

“ A. Miller

5 AYE, 1 ABSENT, motion carried

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Comprehensive Plan Revision Update-

In regard to Chapter I, Commissioner Hand said that the data is in. A scatter plot was used to show the growth of the community which shows about 150+. Commissioner Hand is still getting 2013-2015 data and is about 90% finished.

Chapter II is coming together well Chairman Good reported and she included that she is waiting to hear from those working on the specific sections.

Chapter III- Community Design Guidelines for an Industrial Park. Chairman Good stated that it is a goal to teach the community the steps made by the local government in the decision making process so that transparency is shown. We want to build the trust and show them the process. Surveys can help to address issues and highlight good things. It can be problematic getting industry in Mount Jackson when nothing is By-Right. We need to identify what we want

PLANNING COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

April 4, 2016

to see as a community and set some guide lines that are safe. We need business and are currently so restrictive we aren't competitive.

Commissioner Diehl wondered, "What are the community's feelings on By-Right? Chairperson Good stated that Brandon Davis from Shenandoah County will be able to tell us at the meeting 4/11/16 what we need to decide and to have in place with this process. We can then correlate what we would like to see happen there. We want our Vision Statement to come together with this planning for the industrial area.

Commissioner Hackenbracht stated in his Council Report that the sidewalk and treatment plant projects are progressing. VDOT has approved the Viola Engineering core samples taken from the area near 7-Eleven. The surveyor, (engineering report), for the water main replacement is underway. Two other points, a part time office assistant has been hired and the town has a new phone system.

Commissioner Hand made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by Heather Taylor, Town Clerk