

MOUNT JACKSON
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
July 11, 2016

Chairperson Good called the meeting to order at 6:59 p.m. In attendance were Meses. Diehl, Ludwig and A. Miller and Messrs. Ambrose, Hackenbracht and Whitehurst. Town Clerk Heather Taylor was present. Visitors included Councilman Dennis Andrick, Fay and Rhonda Bowers, and Mayor Bucky Miller.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: Chairperson Bonnie Good recommended that the swearing in of new commissioners, Larry Ambrose and Robert Whitehurst be added to the agenda.

VOTE:

AYE

NAY

ABSENT

Commissioner Ambrose

- “ Diehl
- “ Hackenbracht
- “ Ludwig
- “ A. Miller
- “ Whitehurst

6 AYE, motion carried

Mayor Miller swore in newly appointed Commissioners L. Ambrose and R. Whitehurst.

Minutes: Commissioner Hackenbracht MOVED, seconded by Commissioner Diehl, to APPROVE the minutes from the June 6, 2016, Regular Meeting.

VOTE:

AYE

NAY

ABSENT

Commissioner Ambrose

- “ Diehl
- “ Hackenbracht
- “ Ludwig
- “ A. Miller
- “ Whitehurst

6 AYE, motion carried

OLD BUSINESS: Comprehensive Plan Revision Update

Discussion included Chairperson Good highlighting that the Comp. Plan is a guideline which closely resembles Ordinances and the work being done will become an appendix, a suggestion for the Ordinances for I-1.

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Commissioner Hackenbracht requested on page 3:14 #3 & #5, that specific words such as "distribution" be better defined. Perhaps designating specific sizes for I-1, I-2 and I-3 would make this clearer. Under # 17, Commissioner Hackenbracht highlighted that there is a conflict with #2 under Special Use Permits and #2 needs to be crossed out. Number 18 under Manufacturing belongs in I-2. Keep this as By-Right.

Page 3:20 #5, be certain that in regard to horticultural products that special containment of items such as bulk fruit that ammonia and any other chemical be handled safely and correctly. This type of industry should be I-3.

Chairperson Good highlighted that by opening up to By-Right, it is necessary to have control over growth. She also said that it's important to not compare the town to the county. They aren't comparable.

Further discussion included the question, "Should the Industrial guidelines be determined by the acreage/size or the possible number of employees a business could support?" It was also discussed that I-1 properties are currently available in the Mount Jackson area but not I-2 or I-3.

Chairperson Good requested that the Commissioners meet for a workshop 7/21/16 from 7 to 9 p.m. with the Focus Group to decide on the details with the Revision Update. It was agreed and the groups will meet in the Council Chamber.

Commissioner Hackenbracht stated in his Council report that he had nothing new to add to the Sidewalk and Water Treatment Plant reports.

Commissioner Hackenbracht is recommending to waive the \$40K tap fee for the new Rescue & Fire Dept. building if Council approves. Also concerning Rescue & Fire, when the town gives the fire dept. a gift, like what was done in the old Triplett building with the town paying for the water and electricity, it was an exchange. These funds were a part of the annual donation from the town to the fire dept. Because of the federal agency that the town still owes money to, the town is not allowed to give water away on a building they don't own. The town will monitor usage on the new building for the year.

Add to next month's agenda for 8/1/16 under Presentations the acknowledgement of service for Commissioner's Mark Bowyer and Larry ~~Androse~~ Hand.

Commissioner Diehl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m.

Submitted by:

Heather M. Taylor, Town Clerk

