

# **BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

## **Meeting Minutes for January 10, 2022**

### **Members Present:**

Meagan Bradshaw, Elmer Chewning, Steve Hermansen, Jerry Mercer, Randy Johnson, Wade Hall, John Dodson

### **Members Absent:**

Guy Boone, Jim Baker

### **Others Present:**

Joel K. Cagle, Planning Commission Secretary  
Dr. Eric Workman, County Administrator  
Paul Cassell, County Attorney

### **CALL TO ORDER**

At 6:00 PM, Joel Cagle 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**

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

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Joel Cagle called for nominations for the office of Chairman. A motion was made by Commissioner Dodson to have Jerry Mercer as Chairman, Meagan Bradshaw as Vice-Chairman, Joel Cagle as Secretary and Eric Workman as Vice Secretary; a second was provided by Commissioner Hall. The motion passed unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 6, 2021. Commissioner Bradshaw made the motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 6, 2021; Commissioner Johnson provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

- Amendment to Height exceptions and limitations to the Zoning Code of Bland County. The Public Hearing was opened. There were no public speakers present. The Public Hearing was closed. Discussion of the amendment was held. A motion to recommend approval for the change to read, "Fully sprinkled hotels and motels along with their accessory signage located on the same or adjoining lots within the same area, church spires, belfries, monuments, water towers, chimney, flues, flag poles, quarries, sand gravel, or crushed stone operations are exempt. An accessory structure height shall not exceed the principal structure height except for garages or farm building constructed subsequent to a residence.", was made by Commissioner Hermansen with a second provided by Commissioner Bradshaw. The motion passed unanimously.

-CUP application from the EDA for a Hotel on Tax Map Numbers 49A-A-2&3. The Public Hearing was opened. There were no public speakers present. The Public Hearing was closed. Discussion of the CUP was held. After much discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Johnson to recommend approval for the CUP for Tax Map Numbers 49A-A-2&3 with the following condition:

-The hotel/motel is to be a Business Class or higher

A second was made by Commissioner Dodson. The motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

-Application for re-zoning Tax Map 77-A-24 from Agricultural to Commercial, with a CUP to operate an Auto Sales and Service, and a CUP for a dwelling. Mr. Daniels has requested to down size his operation at Brushy Mountain Motors, he wishes to make this a hobby, but keeping his DMV License. It was discussed that the Commission should schedule an on site review of the location and needs to schedule it through Mr. Cagle. A motion to hold a public hearing was made by Commissioner Dodson with a second provided by Commissioner Chewing. The motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

-None

**ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

-None

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission at this time, Commissioner Hermansen made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Bradshaw provided the second, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Joel K. Cagle- Secretary  
Planning Commission  
County of Bland