

BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes for November 7th, 2007

Members Present:

R.B. Anderson, Elmer Chewning, Henry Blessing, John Dodson, Guy Boone, Stephen Kelley, Robert Trobaugh, Jerry Mercer, Deborah Looney, and Jim Baker

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Jonathan D. Sweet, Planning Commission Secretary; Troy Phillips, Applicant; and Large Audience

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 PM, Planning Commission Chairman Jerry Mercer called the meeting of the Bland County Planning Commission to order at the Bland County School Board Office; Bastian, Virginia.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to approve the minutes of the October 1st, 2007 meeting. Commissioner Boone made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 1st, 2007 meeting; Commissioner Anderson provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None

PUBLIC HEARING

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A public hearing to receive public comment on an application from Troy Phillips, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Commercial Stable and Recreation Facilities upon his property, within an Agricultural District; TAX MAP NO.: 38-A-2.

Chairman Mercer officially opened the public hearing and requested Mr. Troy Phillips to provide the Commission with details regarding his Conditional Use Permit application to locate and operate a Commercial Stable and Recreational Facilities upon 72 acres in the Mechanicsburg District; TAX MAP NO.: 38-A-2.

Mr. Phillips addressed the Commission with a prepared statement and explained that he felt the proposed operation would be a great addition to Bland County recreation and tourism, as well a benefit to our local economy. He further explained that he does not wish for those key neighbors, in which he considers to be friends, to be caused any undue harm (Terry Bowling, Mac Myers, and the Wilderness Church of God). It is out of consideration and respect for these three neighbors that Mr. Phillips withdrew his application before the Commission.

Chairman Mercer accepted Mr. Phillips' public withdrawal of his CUP application on behalf of the Commission. He then discontinued the public hearing citing that there was no further business that needed to be conducted due to Mr. Phillips' application withdrawal.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Time Change

Due to the recent time change, Commissioner Baker made a motion to change the regular monthly meeting time from 7:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Commissioner Anderson provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Anderson provided the second, Chairman Mercer obliged and the meeting was adjourned.