

## **BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION**

### **Meeting Minutes for January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

#### **Members Present:**

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

#### **Members Absent:**

Jim Baker, and Robert Trobaugh

#### **Others Present:**

Jonathan D. Sweet, Planning Commission Secretary; Joel K. Cagle, Building Official; Mr. and Mrs. Mark R. McKee, I. Applicant; Susan L. Odell

### **CALL TO ORDER**

At 6:30 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.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Sweet invited a motion to nominate a chairman of the Bland County Planning Commission for the ensuing 2008 year. Commissioner Chewning made the motion to nominate Commissioner Mercer for the position of Chairman, Commissioner Anderson made the second. A motion was then made by Commissioner Blessing to close the nominations for chairman, Commissioner Kelley provided a second. The nominations for Chairman being closed, Commissioner Anderson commented favorably on the past year of Commissioner Mercer's performance as Chairman. The nomination for Commissioner Mercer to serve again as Chairman was passed unanimously.

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to nominate a Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year. Commissioner Dodson made a motion to nominate Commissioner Chewning as Vice-Chairman. Commissioner Looney provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

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Chairman Mercer invited a motion to nominate a Secretary for the ensuing year. Commissioner Kelley made a motion to nominate Joel K. Cagle as Secretary. Commissioner Chewing provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to approve the minutes of the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 meeting. Commissioner Kelley made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 meeting; Commissioner Anderson provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

**ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

None

**PUBLIC HEARING**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Request for Public Hearing

An application from Mark McKee, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Auto Sales Services/Public Garage upon property that is being leased by him, within an Commercial District, located at 7063 N Scenic Highway,; Bastian, VA; TAX MAP NO.: 48-A-85.

Mr. McKee is proposing that this site will be used to repair small engines and ATV

sales and service.

After a brief explanation of the services to be offered, and a question and answer session, Chairman Mercer invited a motion to hold a public hearing on Mr. McKee's request.

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The applicant was requested to make a list of intended use(s) of the business for the Planning Commissions review.

Commissioner Anderson made a motion to hold a public hearing to receive public comment on an application from Mark McKee, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to operate an Auto Sales and Service/Public Garage upon property located within an Commercial District, located at 7063 N Scenic Hwy; Bastian, VA.; TAX MAP NO.: 48-A-85, on the next stated meeting of the Bland County Planning Commission. A second was provided by Commissioner Dodson. The motion passed unanimously.

### Request for Information

Mrs. Susan L. Odell approached the Planning Commission and requested information regarding the status of Bland County's outdoor activities programs in relation to the Comprehensive Plan.

Chairman Mercer yielded the floor to Mr. Jonathan D. Sweet, County Administrator, who gave an informative overview of the County's progress and future plans of the utilization of the County's aesthetic landscape.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Kelley made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Dodson provided the second, Chairman Mercer obliged and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25PM.