BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION Meeting Minutes for July 3, 2023

Members Present:

Jerry Mercer, Elmer Chewning, Ron Sevenot, Jim Pruett, Meagan Bradshaw, John Dodson

Members Absent:

Randy Johnson, Jim Baker

Others Present:

Joel K. Cagle, Planning Commission Secretary Cameron Burton, County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:00 PM, Chairman Mercer called the meeting of the Bland County Planning Commission to order at the Bland County Courthouse; Bland, 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.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Mercer invited a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 5, 2022. Commissioner Baker made the motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 5, 2022; Commissioner Pruett provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

- Application for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) on Tax Map 49-A-10,11 to operate a Contractors Storage Yard (Towing operation) from Ken's Towing. This is in addition to the two current CUP (Truck Stop and Motel). No additional buildings are planned at this time, office operations are handled in a jobsite office trailer. No shop will be on site. They plan to operate wreckers and roll backs. Light duty towing is all that is currently proposed, although would like to expand to tow Road Tractors. Already has VA. State Police approval, pending zoning approval. Chairman Mercer opened a public hearing, there being no registered speakers, the public hearing was closed.

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After discussion amongst the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Dodson to recommend the Board of Supervisors approve the CUP with the following conditions:

- 1) No salvaged storage to exceed 30 days.
- 2) No structures are to be erected without first gaining zoning approval.
- 3) Project to be operational within 6 months of Board approval or CUP to become null and void.

A second was provided by Commissioner Bradshaw and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

-None

OLD BUSINESS

-The Commission was updated on the process of installing informational signage on proposed applications on the property site.

-The Commission discussed the need to update/review the existing Comprehensive Plan.

-Zoning and it's enforcement were discussed.

ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

-None

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel K. Cagle- Secretary Planning Commission County of Bland