

BLAND COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes for May 4th, 2009

Members Present:

R.B. Anderson, Jim Baker, Meagan Bradshaw, Henry Blessing, John Dodson, Stephen Kelley, and Deborah Looney

Members Absent:

Guy Boone, Elmer Chewning, Jerry Mercer, and Robert Trobaugh

Others Present:

Joel K. Cagle, Planning Commission Secretary; Jonathan Sweet, Bland County Administrator

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:30 PM, Planning Commission Vice-Chairman Jim Baker called the meeting of the Bland County Planning Commission to order at the Bland County School Board Office; Bastian, Virginia. The Invocation was given by Mr. J. D. Sweet and allegiance was pledged to the flag of our country by everyone present.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice-Chairman Baker invited a motion to approve the minutes of the April 6th, 2009 meeting. Commissioner Looney made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 6th, 2009 meeting; Commissioner Blessing provided the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

An application from Michael Lewis requesting a public hearing to rezone Tax Map 13A1-A-2 from Agricultural to Commercial, for the purpose of operating an allowed use of a retail store (#35), specializing in sales and service of computers.

Mr. Lewis approached the Planning Commission and explained the purposed use of the property. The intention is to utilize an existing building to house the computer operation. He stated that the plan was to be open part time in the afternoon and if business was good, then the hours of operation would increase.

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A public hearing was opened by Vice-Chairman Baker, there being no registered speakers, a motion was made by Commissioner Kelley to close the public hearing, with Commissioner Anderson making a second. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Commissioner Looney to recommend the approval of the application for rezoning of tax map number 13A1-A-2 from Agricultural to Commercial to the Bland County Board of Supervisors. Commissioner Dodson provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

The cancelation of the planned trips to Mt. Storm for the Planning Commission was announced by Secretary Cagle. The Turbines are going to be offline for some time due to maintenance being performed. The trips will be rescheduled when the turbines on back on line.

It was stated by Mr. J. D. Sweet that the Commission would be compensated for the trip as if it were a meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Anderson made a motion to change the meeting time from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM until further notice. Commissioner Looney provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS TABLED FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission at this time, Commissioner Blessing made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Looney provided the second, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel K. Cagle- Secretary
Planning Commission
County of Bland