

Bland County Planning Commission
Minutes of Regular Meeting
September 9, 2002

Members Present: Fay Lambert – Chairman, Wade Blankenship - Vice Chairman, Martin Tate, Elmer Chewning, James Atwell, Deborah Looney, William Havens, John Dodson and Jerry Mercer.

Members Absent: Jim Moses, Raymond Boswell, and E. Allen Newberry.

Others Present: Ron Hachey, Planning Commission Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

At 7:30 PM, Chairman Lambert called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Commission Secretary Ron Hachey took the roll call and announced that there was a quorum with 8 members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Blankenship made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Mercer made a second to this motion and all Commission members unanimously approved it.

NEW BUSINESS

Schedule Public Hearing to Review CUP request from Randy Newberry

Mr. Hachey briefly summarized the request from Randy Newberry to use a portion of his commercial building located along Route 52/42 for an accessory dwelling. After a brief discussion, Mr. Blankenship made a motion to schedule a public hearing on this matter for the Commission next meeting on October 7, 2002. Mr. Mercer made a second to this motion and all Commission members unanimously approved it.

DISABILITY SERVICES BOARD

Ms. Looney informed the Commission that she has been attending the Mt. Rogers Disability Services Board meetings and that she was working on a community survey assessing disability needs of Bland County residents as well as resources that can be used to assist them.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Dodson asked that Mr. Hachey bring the digital camera to the next Commission meeting so that he could take pictures of the members to display on the County's web page.

Mr. Havens noted that there was a new business in Rocky Gap located near the elementary school. He noted that it was the business office for a house moving company based in Princeton. Mr. Hachey was asked to make sure that the business was in compliance with the County's zoning regulations.

Mr. Chewning stated that the Ministry people were lead to believe that the County would approve their CUP and that they had put down a deposit on the building that they will loss since the CUP wasn't approved. Mr. Chewning stated that the County should consider paying the Ministry for the amount of the deposit since they were lead to believe that the CUP would be approved and it ended up being denied.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Tate made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was unanimously approved by all Commission members. Chairman Lambert then adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Hachey
Commission Secretary