

TOWN OF BURNSVILLE  
Public Hearing  
October 3, 2013

The Town Council, with Mayor Danny McIntosh and members Judy Buchanan, Ruth Banks, Ron Powell, and Bill Wheeler present, held a public hearing at 5:45 on Thursday, October 3, 2013, in the Town Hall. Also in attendance were town staff members Brian Buchanan, Anthony Hensley, and Jeanne Martin; and visitors Lloyd Allen, Theresa Coletta, Ellen Denker, Lucy Doll, Dean Gates, Jody Higgins, David McIntosh, Wanda Proffitt, Armin Wessel, and others. Mayor McIntosh, who presided, opened the hearing.

The purpose of the hearing was to consider a proposed ordinance to establish a Design Review Board for the Town of Burnsville.

Lucy Doll told Council that she is interested in being considered as an applicant for the Design Review Board.

Ellen Denker said she thought establishing a Design Review Board is a good idea.

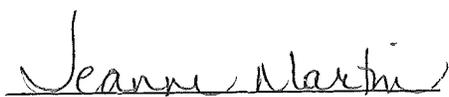
Theresa Coletta said the proposed ordinance is worthy of consideration and a positive vote.

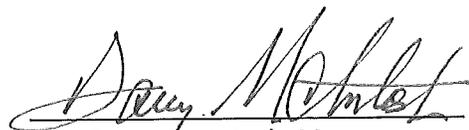
Dean Gates explained the Design Review Board members would be voting members on recommendations that would come to Council. The proposed ordinance was taken from a state template, and says that folks serving on the board include business owners, property owners and citizens of the town. He said he has had concerns about individuals who have vested rights in town but no vote. Allowing individuals in any of the aforesaid categories to have a voice is a fair process.

In response to a request from Armin Wessel for clarification of the areas the Design Review Board would cover, Mr. Gates said every application that's over 3500 square feet for renovation or new development in the commercial district would be covered. Ronnie Tipton can override decisions made by the board. This process will allow applicants to discuss design guidelines.

There was discussion including questions/answers about the proposed ordinance, but no one spoke either for or against it.

Judy Buchanan made a motion to close the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. Ruth Banks seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

  
Jeanne Martin, Town Clerk

  
Danny McIntosh, Mayor