

Town of Burnsville
Planning Board Meeting 11-28-11

On November 28, 2011 the planning board held a meeting at town hall. In attendance were board members Randy Banks, Harrison Tyner, Chuck Aldridge, and Chairman Dean Gates, staff members Ronnie Tipton and Anthony Hensley. Also in attendance were Dottie Buker, Lucy Doll, and Bill Wheeler. Absent was board member Jayme Maier.

Chairman D. Gates called the meeting to order and advised the board of the resignation of member Jayme Maier. He will ask the Town Council to select someone to fill the position at their next meeting.

The agenda and minutes were approved by a motion from C. Aldridge and second by H. Tyner.

Staff report from Ronnie Tipton:

- _ We have a review from Betsy Kane with NCDOC about her visit to Burnsville and her zoning recommendations.
- _ The town has received an application for a zoning variance from SKYJYM. The planning board needs to review this request.

Dean Gates ask to set this variance in the agenda as new business.

Staff report from Anthony Hensley:

- _ Would like to schedule HCCOG staff to come to a meeting to discuss the rules and regulations of the NC Scenic By-Way.
- _ Need to establish a regular meeting time of 6:15.

OLD BUISNESS

Procedure

D. Gates reviewed Roberts Rules of Order:

- _ Ask Chairman to speak.
- _ No participation by audience unless motion to suspend rules.
- _ A motion is all that's needed. No second required.

Meeting Time

D. Gates ask members if the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:15 was still agreeable to the board. All agreed that it was. Next meeting was established for December 12, 2011 at 6:15. The planning had scheduled a workshop for December 3, 2011 but cancelled due to the vacancy seat. They will reschedule the workshop at the December 12, 2011 meeting.

NEW BUISNESS

Signage Regulation

D. Gates talked about sign regulation and presented each member with a packet of different sign ordinances from different towns. He presented his research of the "intent and purpose" on the sign regulation.

C. Aldridge proposed a three phase work plan:

- 1.) 19E corridor
- 2.) Downtown
- 3.) Areas that have not been addressed

He also commented on "intent and purpose".

D. Gates made a motion to adopt the intent and purpose. All agree.

Goals

Each member will review different sign ordinance before next meeting. H. Tyner said he would like to vote on definitions at the next meeting.

Variance

R. Tipton explained the variance to the board. D. Gates made a motion recommending the Town Council to not grant this variance. All agree. D. Gate said he would present the recommendation to the Council at their next meeting.

Research Committee

D. Gates said he would like to explore possibilities of people to serve on a research committee and bring recommendations to the planning board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dottie Buker:

- _ She would be available to serve on the research committee.

Lucy Doll:

- _ Would like for the board to promote dark skies.
- _ Would like to be able to keep yard sale signs
- _ Would the board consider public comment at the beginning and end of the meeting? D. Gates said there would only be one public comment.

C. Aldridge made a motion to adjourn the meeting and all approve.