

BANNER ELK PLANNING BOARD AND
LAND USE UPDATE COMMITTEE
MONDAY, 01 MARCH 2010
MINUTES

Planning Board Members Present: Buster Burleson, John Collier, Dan Hemp, Bob Hodgkin, Ann Swinkola, Penny VonCanon

Land Use Update Committee Members: Steve Chandler, John Davis, Scott McKinney, Joe H. Perry, Robert Tufts

Staff Present: Cheryl Buchanan, John Mejaski

Others Present: Toni Cook, Donna Dicks, Gail Draughon, Bill Elder, Cliff Elder, Bob Littleton, Ted Silvers, Dekka Tate, Robert Tufts

Due to the absence of Chairman Paul Lehmann, Vice Chairman John Collier presided over the meeting. Mr. Collier called the meeting to order at 6:30 and opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Amendment to the Agenda

Ms. Buchanan asked the Board to amend the agenda to add two sign requests that came into her office late to the end of the meeting. Penny VonCanon moved to amend the agenda as requested. Buster Burleson seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Consideration of the February 2010 Minutes

Penny VonCanon asked that an addition be inserted into the first page to read as thus: "Manager Mejaski told the Board that there is a Planning Retreat *for Town Council* on February 6th and those in attendance would be coming up with some goals and objectives and that perhaps we could mesh the two into the one document." Penny VonCanon moved to approve the minutes as amended. Ann Swinkola seconded. The vote was unanimous and the minutes were adopted.

Goals and Objectives for Section 2.0 Economic Development

Ms. Buchanan asked the Board to carefully review the goals and objectives in this section. She stated that is difficult when one person is writing a document for an entire town and it is easy to overlook a minor detail. Penny VonCanon suggested that the paragraphs under each goal and objective be put into a bulleted form. There was no vote on this submission.

Section 3.0 Transportation

A review of this section provided for some minor grammar corrections and suggestions to add a section on airports and possibly public transportation. No vote was taken on this section.

At this point, John Collier recognized the Planning Board as being called to order.

Amendment to the Ordinance – Section 313 Stormwater

Ms. Buchanan asked that an addition be approved to this section to place responsibility for maintaining storm water measures on the POA (or the equivalent) of a development once construction is completed. Dan Hemp moved to approve as submitted. Buster Burleson seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sign Request: Puerto Nuevo

This request is for a sandblasted sign to be placed as a free standing sign at 2120 Tynecastle Highway. The dimensions are 24 square feet and the colors will be similar to the color chart. Ann Swinkola moved to approve. Buster Burleson seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Sign Request: Bulldog Beer and Wine

This request is for a sandblasted sign to be placed at 358 Shawneehaw Avenue. The request is for a free standing sign and an attached canopy sign. The canopy sign will be 9 square feet and the free standing will not exceed 36 square feet with the colors being well within the parameters of the color chart. Penny VonCanon moved to approve s submitted. Dan Hemp seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

At this point in the meeting Ms. Buchanan asked if the Planning Board would consider giving the Planning Department the authority to approve signs. After a short discussion, Penny VonCanon moved to recommend an ordinance change to allow the Planning Department to approve signs. Ann Swinkola seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Discussion on ETJ Expansion

There was a follow-up discussion of the Public Hearing held on Monday, 22 February 2010 on the expansion of the ETJ. Several members of the audience participated in the discussion. There was no action, just discussion.

With no further discussion, Buster Burleson moved to adjourn. Bob Hodgin seconded. All were in agreement and the meeting came to a close at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Buchanan