

Caswell County Planning Department

Planning Board Meeting

August 28th, 2018

Members Present:

Russell Johnston *Chairman*, Michael Poteat *Vice-Chairman*, Don Swann, Ray Shaffner, and Ron Richmond

Members Absent:

William Carter, Jason Daniel, Steven Harris, and Keith Blalock

Mr. Johnston called the meeting to order at 1:02pm, and welcomed everyone.

Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Swann moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Shaffner. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Poteat motioned to approve the June 26, 2018 and July 24, 2018 minutes, seconded by Mr. Richmond. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

Mr. Johnston questioned the board if they had viewed Article 9, Section 2 of UDO and did they have any changes/ additions to be made.

Mr. Hoagland stated that the board could revisit it at the next board meeting if they needed more time. Mr. Johnston agreed because some of the board members are not present.

Planning Department Update

Mr. Hoagland stated the on August 6th, 2018 The Caswell County Board of Commissioners approved the new updated fee schedule and it became effective that day. Now on the Planning website, the new updated forms and documents are available to the public, because some of the links did not work. There were only a few changes in the fee schedule that were made and they are listed as follows:

- Minor Subdivision Review was \$25.00, now it is \$40.00
- Exempt Plat Review was \$15.00, now it is \$20.00

New fees added:

- Watershed Protection Permit \$25.00
- Special Non-Residential Intensity Allocation Permit \$100.00
- Temporary Placement Permit- Recreational Vehicle \$25.00
- Sexually Oriented Business Application \$500.00
- Sexually Oriented Business Renewal \$500.00
- Land Development Review \$25.00

There were plans that was received prior to the implementation of the new fee schedule and those are grandfathered in with regards to the new fee schedule.

Prior to hiring the Planner, the Board had requested to be involved more with Economic Development and those efforts have continued. This past Friday Mr. Hoagland was invited by the County Manager to attend a trip to HQ Raleigh, which is a co-working location, to look at their best practices and how they operate so we can integrate those best practices at our co-working place in down Town Yanceyville. There is also another project in the makings which will be located at the Industrial Site in Pelham. This project involve agriculture and how it relates to Economic Development.

Mr. Johnston questioned if there were any updates on the broadband improvements for the County. There were surveys that went out for rural broadband for the County, because certain parts of the County have no access to broadband. Mr. Hoagland replied that he had not received any updates, but within the last month he has received some inquiries on cell towers; a T-Mobile tower in Blanch and a Verizon tower in the southern part of Caswell. Mr. Poteat replied, the Board has approved the Verizon tower in the southern part of Caswell. Mr. Hoagland replied yes, and they have paid there fees.

Mr. Poteat stated that in Cherry Grove area residents are paying \$50.00 for the broadband company to hang lines on their property. Mr. Johnston questioned how the public's response was. Mr. Poteat replied, well. Mr. Johnston questioned did they have AT&T as a provider in that area. Mr. Poteat replied yes, and also Spectrum in some areas.

Mr. Johnston questioned if there was any updates on the passing lane on 86, has it been postponed. Mr. Hoagland replied he was not sure of a time frame, but he had received a survey from the DOT. Their proposal is a passing lane starting at the Park Springs Road intersection all the way to the Old Highway 86 intersection.

Other Business

Mr. Johnston stated that next month the Board would continue with the UDO.

Adjournment

Mr. Poteat made a motion to adjourn at 1:17pm, seconded by Mr. Swann. The motion carried unanimously.

Ashley Kirby the Administrative Assistant recorded the minutes above.