



September 1, 2020

GATE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

The regular monthly meeting of the Gate City Planning Commission was held Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at Gate City Town Hall.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, Delany Herron called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm and asked the secretary to call the roll.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts,.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Roger Cassell, Margaret Falin.

ALSO PRESENT: Michele Brooks, City Town Attorney and Greg Jones, Gate City Town Manager.

GUESTS PRESENT:.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

With three (3) voting members present, the requirements for a quorum are met.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION:

REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the last regular meeting held August 4, 2020 were presented.

Motion made by Vickie Roberts and seconded by Delany Herron to adopt the minutes from August 4, 2020.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts..

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Roger Cassell, Margaret Falin.

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS:

(A) SECRETARY: It was reported last month that Vickie Roberts had been appointed to the Town Council Historical Committee. Ms. Robert's appointment has not yet been completed.

(B) COMMITTEES:

- 1) Comprehensive Plan: Nothing to report.
- 2) Land Use: Nothing to report
- 3) Subdivision: Nothing to report.
- 4) Zoning: Nothing to report.
- 5) Capital Improvements: Nothing to report.

A) ZONING ADMINISTRATOR:

Mr. Jones will defer his comments to unfinished and finished business.

B) TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE MEMBER:

Absent.

C. GATE CITY TOWN ATTORNEY: Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- (1) On motion by Jo Ann Castle and seconded by Vickie Roberts, Planning Commission recommends that Town Council approve the addition of the following to Sec. 30-3. –Definitions of the Zoning Ordinance.

Mural means a work of art (as a painting) that is prepared by a skilled artist and applied to and made an integral part of a building or retaining wall and that shows imaginative skill in arrangement or execution and which contains no commercial message.

AND:

the addition of Sec. 30-314 sub-section

- (e) Mural(s) exceeding 25 percent of the total surface area will be required to submit a Special Exception and Use Permit application to the Gate City Planning Commission. Upon the recommendation of the Gate City Planning Commission, the permit application will be submitted to the Gate City Town Council for their consideration and approval. The following conditions must be met prior to approval:
 - (1) Shall obtain a permit, if required, from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for any sign within sight of state highways.
 - (2) Mural(s) must meet all of the following criteria:
 - (a) shall be located in a C-1 or C-2 district only. No murals are permitted in Residential Districts.
 - (b) shall include no text legible from a public roadway; and
 - (c) shall include no logo or trademarked symbol; and

- (d) shall not constitute any type of outdoor advertising with a commercial message.
- (e) shall include no picture, symbol or device of any kind that relates to a commercial business, product or service offered on the premises where the wall is located.
- (f) Must be culturally significant to Gate City and/or Scott County.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts.

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Roger Cassell, Margaret Falin

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

NOTE: Roger Cassell arrives at the meeting.

- (2) It was agreed that further development of the Dog Park would be postponed until the Army Core of Engineers completes their assessment of flooding and drainage problems at Grogan Park.
- (3) Vickie Roberts reported that she has an appointment Wednesday Sept 2, 2020 with Tri-City Fencing to obtain an estimate on fencing for the front of Gateway Park adjoining U.S. Hwy. 23-N.
- (4) Greg Jones reports that contracts have been let for the demolition of two structures included in the Park Street rehabilitation project.
- (5) On motion by Jo Ann Castle and seconded by Delany Herron, Planning Commission denies approval of the Special Exception and Use Permit submitted by Future Outdoor Advertising for a proposed billboard to be located on Kane Street.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts, Roger Cassell.

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Margaret Falin

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

- (1) On motion by Jo Ann Castle and seconded by Delany Herron, Planning Commission recommends that Town Council approve the following changes to the Zoning Ordinance:

change Article VII. –COMMERCIAL DISTRICT C-1 Sec. -30-183 to read 'RESTRICTIONS' with the addition of sub-section (1) Pain Management/Drug Treatment facilities are not permitted.

AND:

change Article VIII. –CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT C-2 Sec. -30-215 to read 'RESTRICTIONS' with the addition of sub-section (1) Pain Management/Drug Treatment facilities are not permitted.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts, Roger Cassell.

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Margaret Falin

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Vickie Roberts and seconded by Delany Herron.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Delany Herron, Vickie Roberts and Margaret Falin.

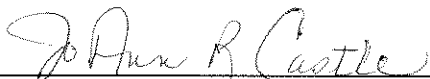
VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Roger Cassell.

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.



Jo Ann Castle, Secretary



Delany Herron, Chairman

Approved 10-6-2020