



June 7, 2022

GATE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

The regular monthly meeting of the Gate City Planning Commission was held Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at Gate City Town Hall.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman, Delaney 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, Roger Cassell, Vickie Roberts, Delaney Herron, Margaret Falin

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

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

GUESTS PRESENT: None

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

With five (5) voting members present, the requirements for a quorum are met.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION: Guest present, Robin Richards

REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the last regular meeting held May 3, 2022 were presented.

Motion made by Vickie Roberts and seconded by Margaret Falin to adopt the minutes from May 3, 2022.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Roger Cassell, Delaney Herron, Vickie Roberts and Margaret Falin.

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS:

(A) SECRETARY: Town Council has scheduled a public hearing on the adoption of amendments to the Gate City Zoning Ordinance, presented by the Gate City Planning Commission.

(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:

- 1) Mr. Jones will defer his comments to new and unfinished business.

B) TOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE MEMBER:

Nothing to report.

C. GATE CITY TOWN ATTORNEY:

Nothing to report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1) Mr. Greg Jones reported that Phase I of the Park Street Rehab Project is nearing completion and the approval of Phase II funding has not yet been received.
 - a) Cleaning and repair of headstones at Estil Cemetery in ongoing.
 - b) Some drainage abatement has been completed at the dog park. Next step will be to have a secondary gate section installed at the entrance. In addition, a dividing fence to separate large and small dogs will be installed inside the designated area. Vickie Roberts will provide information she has collected on rules and guidelines for use of the park at the next regular meeting. Also discussed was the option of requesting sponsorships from local businesses and those wishing to donate to a memorial wall for a beloved pet.
 - c) Spero Health has requested a postponement of their appeal hearing to the BZA due to their need for further time to prepare their appeal.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Town Council Member Robin Richards provided Commission members with copies of an article from the VML newsletter, dated April 2022. The article describes the new and up-coming Virginia laws and regulations concerning the legal use and sale of cannabis products.

ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA:

- 1) Commission members discussed reviewing the existing C-1 and C-2 zoning to update where necessary due to the many changes in the commercial atmosphere in downtown Gate City since the original ordinance was adopted.

ADJOURNMENT:

With nothing further to discuss, a motion for adjournment was made by Vickie Roberts and seconded by Jo Ann Castle.

VOTING AYE: Jo Ann Castle, Roger Cassell, Delaney Herron, Vickie Roberts and Margaret Falin


VOTING NAY: None


ABSENT: None

ABSTAINING: None

MOTION CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.


Jo Ann Castle, Secretary


Delaney Herron, Chairman
Approved 7-5-2022