



City of Mount Airy Planning Board Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2020 – 5:30 PM
First Floor Conference Room, City Hall
300 S. Main Street – Mount Airy, NC 27030

Members Present: Jeannie Studnicki (Chair)
Paul Madren (Vice Chair)
Tami Springthorpe
Randal France
Gray Trotter
Jim Cavallo
Joseph Zalescik

Member(s) Absent: Dwight McAlexander
Calvin Vaughn

Staff Present: Ben Barcroft – City Planner

Guest(s): Mike Fox (Attorney)
Mark Farr (Fibercrete)

I. Call to Order

Jeannie Studnicki called the meeting to order at 5:30PM.

II. Determination of a Quorum

With Seven (7) members present, Jeannie Studnicki determined there was a quorum.

III. New Member

Joseph Zalescik was introduced as the newest member of the Planning Board.

IV. Approval of Minutes

Jeannie Studnicki asked for a motion to approve the June 22, 2020 minutes. A motion was made by Paul Madren and seconded by Randal France. The motion then passed unanimously (5-0).

V. Approval of Agenda

Jeannie Studnicki asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Paul Madren and seconded by Tami Springthorpe. The motion then passed unanimously (5-0).

VI. Planning Board Case(s)

2020-REZ-04/ANX-02

Ben Barcroft introduced the annexation and zoning case for a vacant parcel adjacent to 401 Old US 52S.

Mike Fox introduced himself as the attorney for the applicant (Fibercrete). He explained how he felt the requested zoning is appropriate and that the applicant is planning to expand their business. Mr. Fox said that the city has indicated that all city services can be provided to the site.

Mark Fare spoke on behalf of the company and explained the size and expected growth of the company. Paul Madren asked if they planned to continue make the same products they currently make. Mark said they planned to expand the current production however, they might branch out and make other products in the future.

Randal France made a motion to recommend approval of the annexation. The motion was seconded by Paul Madren and passed unanimously (6-0).

Jim Cavallo made a motion that the proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and recommended the proposed zoning. The motion was seconded by Gray Trotter and passed unanimously (6-0).

Randal France made a motion to recommend approval of the proposed zoning request. The motion was seconded by Joseph Zalescik and passed unanimously (6-0).

VII. New Business

Mr. Barcroft went over the plan to rewrite the landscaping section of the ordinance and passed out example ordinances from other towns. He then gave the board a few things to consider when looking at the plans and landscaping around town.

Mr. Barcroft passed out a flyer informing the board of a Surry County public engagement meeting on GoToMeeting.

Tami Springthorpe asked about the previously discussed major rezoning project. Mr. Barcroft said due to Covid the project was on hold until it was safe to hold the initial public meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

At 6:00 PM, Tami Springthorpe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with Randal France seconding. Motion passed unanimously (6-0).