

**TOWN OF ABINGDON
PLANNING COMMISSION
MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020 – 5:30 PM
ARTHUR CAMPBELL MEETING ROOM – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

A meeting of the Abingdon Planning Commission was held on Monday, January 27, 2020, at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Meeting Room.

A. Vice-Chairman Kenny Shuman called the meeting to Order

B. Roll Call – Jason Boswell, Director of Planning

Members Present:

**Mr. Kirk Sproles
Mr. James Anderson
Mr. Al Bradley
Mr. Kenny Shuman**

Members Absent: Mr. Scott Wilson
Mr. James Morani
Mr. Wayne Austin

Comprising a quorum of the Commission

Administrative Staff Present:

Mr. Jason Boswell – Director of Planning
Mr. Mason Gragg – Town Planner
Mrs. Janice Dornon – Administrative Assistant

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting, January 27, 2020

On a motion by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bradley the Planning Commission approved the minutes as presented for the October 28, 2019 meeting.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Mr. Kirk Sproles | Aye |
| Mr. James Anderson | Aye |
| Mr. Al Bradley | Aye |
| Mr. Kenny Shuman | Aye |

The minutes for October 28, 2019, were approved as presented.

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

E. UPDATES FROM STAFF AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

SIGN ORDINANCE

Mr. Shuman read the following sign ordinance into the record:

Discussion of the proposed amendment to Article 21.-Signs, Section 21-8.-
Prohibited signs. (t). Vehicles and trailers shall not be used primarily as static displays, advertising a product or service, nor utilized as storage, shelter or distribution points for commercial products or services for the general public.

Mr. Boswell told the commission that at the October 28, 2019 meeting Town staff was asked to review the existing sign ordinance and to make suggestions for changes to the ordinance. The ordinance with the changes was reviewed by the Town Attorney and was deemed as an obtainable and enforceable ordinance.

Mr. Sproles asked if the issues presently before the board would be enforceable with the new ordinance, Mr. Boswell assured the board that the Town Attorney feels this will make the issues enforceable.

Mr. Bradley suggested that the ordinance read as follows:

Discussion of the proposed amendment to Article 21.-Signs, Section 21-8.-
Prohibited signs. (t). Vehicles and trailers shall not be used ~~primarily~~ as static displays, advertising a **business** product or service, nor utilized as storage, shelter or distribution points for commercial products or services for the general public.

Mr. Boswell stated that he and the Town attorney have discussed leaving primarily in the ordinance so that a business that has a moving sign by day, which is stationary at night may be allowed to be parked.

Mr. Boswell informed the board that if this ordinance is passed at tonight's meeting that it would then be presented on February 24, 2020, Planning Commission as a Public Hearing. After the Public Hearing, the ordinance would then go back before the Town Council for a final vote.

On a motion by Mr. Bradley, to have Town staff proceed with advertising the Public Hearing for the February 24, 2020, Planning Commission meeting, seconded by Mr. Anderson the Planning Commission approved the motion.

The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Mr. Kirk Sproles | Aye |
| Mr. James Anderson | Aye |
| Mr. Al Bradley | Aye |
| Mr. Kenny Shuman | Aye |

Advertising for the Public Hearing for the February 24, 2020, Planning Commission meeting with unanimously approved by the Planning Commission.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Mr. Boswell gave an update on the Comp Plan to the commissioners letting them know that proceedings are continuing with EPR. Town staff and ERP are currently discussing Land Use and Transportation.

Mr. Shuman asked if there would be any more Public Hearings with EPR and Mr. Boswell confirmed that there would be one more held later this year.

HISTORIC DISTRICT UPDATE

Mr. Boswell informed the Commission that past ordinance violations are still being processed.

F. ADJOURN

On a motion by Mr. Bradley, seconded by Mr. Anderson, recommending that the meeting be adjourned with no further business to address.

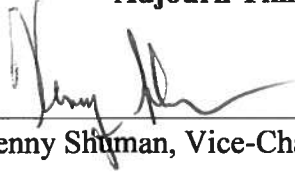
The roll call vote was as follows:

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| Mr. Kirk Sproles | Aye |
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Mr. James Anderson
Mr. Al Bradley
Mr. Kenny Shuman

Aye
Aye
Aye

Adjourn Time: 5.47 P.M.


Kenny Shuman, Vice-Chairman


James Morani, Secretary

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be February 24, 2020, at 5:30 pm in the Arthur Campbell Room, 1st floor of the Town Municipal Building.