

DECEMBER 8TH, 2022 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

VIRGINIA: at the **REGULAR MEETING** of the **Tazewell County Planning Commission** held **December 8th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tazewell County Administration Building, Tazewell, Virginia -- 197 Main Street**

PRESENT: **Ann Robinson—Chairperson**
Robert “Bob” Moss-Assistant Chair
Maggie Asbury-Member
Charlie Hart-Member
Jason Herndon-Member

OTHERS

PRESENT: **Kenneth Dunford, Jr., -- Director of County Engineering**
Kimberly Hilbert--Executive Secretary
Alan McGraw-Attorney-Altizer, Walk & White, LLC

ABSENT: **Eddie Pauley--Member**
Darrell Addison-Member

Chairperson Robinson called the December 8th, 2022 regular meeting to order and presided at approximately 6:32 p.m.

She then welcomed all visitors and all those in attendance.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Chairperson Robinson gave the invocation, followed by, the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag by Member Moss.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FORMAT

Upon motion of Member Moss, seconded by Member Herndon and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Pauley and Addison absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission hereby **APPROVES** the agenda with the addition of Item between #9 and # 10 of moving the January 12th, 2023 to another date, due to the conflict, with Board of Supervisors Meeting being moved to the January 12th, 2023 date.

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APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 10TH, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Member Moss, seconded by Member Hart, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Pauley and Addison absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the November 10th, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Subdivision—Burkes Garden Methodist Church

Bernard Alan McGraw, Attorney with Altizer, Walk and White PLLC of Tazewell, VA was in attendance to present the subdivision. Mr. McGraw represents both parties. The septic system for the church is located on the Moss property and that portion of the property is being adjusted so the church has access to the area where the septic system is located.

Mr. Kenneth Dunford, Jr., Director of Engineering recommends approval of the subdivision with a variance for the water/sewer. The fee will be \$106.00 and would be up to the commission if they wanted to waive the fee.

Upon motion by Member Herndon, seconded by Member Hart, the Tazewell County Planning Commission, voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Pauley and Addison absent from the meeting, does hereby **APPROVE** the Burkes Garden Methodist Church Subdivision with the variance as follows:

- a. Sub-Division Ordinance 8-19-03 Sec. 4-2 land must be suitable; (a) that permanent means of sewage disposal acceptable to the health official and to the agent must be provided; Sec. 4-4-5 Private water and sewer must meet all the requirements of the state water control board, the state health department, and any other state or local regulatory agency having jurisdiction and authority over such installation.*

Upon motion by Member Herndon, seconded by Member Hart, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Pauley and Addison absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** waiving the \$106.00 fee for Burkes Garden Methodist Church.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Road Committee—Simmons Road

Mr. Dunford informed the Planning Commission that Simmons Road has been tabled by the Board of Supervisors at this time. After explaining what it meant for the County to take the road into the Orphan Road System Mr. Joe Smith called and informed Supervisor Hrovatic that he would like to place it on hold..

CITIZEN COMMENTS

NONE AT THIS TIME

MEMBER CONCERNS

Member Hart—informed the Planning Commission that this would be his last meeting and Mr. Hayden Lyons had been submitted as his replacement by Tazewell County Farm Bureau. All Members were sorry to hear that Mr. Hart would be leaving and wished him well. Member Hart also stated he would like to see the casino money to be put aside for future use for the school system or at least a portion of it. Member Asbury stated that the Board of Supervisors may be using those funds for the EMS of the county. She thought that it was approximately \$80,000.

Member Asbury—informed the Planning Commission Board the the 12th of January, 2023 was the first available date that the Board of Supervisors had to meet that was agreeable to all board members and suggested that the Planning Commission meet on that Tuesday, January 10th, 2023. Her and Mr. Dunford requested that a notice be sent out on that Tuesday to remind all board members. Also, to send all board members a reminder on the Comprehensive Plan meeting at 5:30 on that date.

Member Asbury stated that there were rumors going around about project Jonah but they are unfounded. It is still going strong. Mr. Dunford, Jr., stated that the company had issued a statement to that affect.

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Member Moss—Good luck to Graham G Men on the upcoming state championship game to be played on Saturday, December 10th, 2022. He stated how important it is for the county to have a quality school system and quality health care.

Mr. Dunford—Grant writers are looking into transportation grants to help fund Rt. 91.

Chairperson Robinson-- questioned what percentage of the budget is for education. Member Asbury—stated that the Sheriff’s Department and the Education system were the two highest expenditures for the county.

Member Herndon—stated that the Town of Tazewell decorations look good and he wished VDOT would get the Rt. 19 access at Claypool Hill approved.

Chairperson Robinson asked the board if they knew where approximately 40 lockers could be found for a field house. Member Asbury stated maybe Gordon Lusk could help with that.

ADJOURNED MEETING

Upon motion of Member Hart, seconded by Member Moss, and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Pauley and Addison absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission Regular Meeting is hereby adjourned at approximately 6:58 p.m. until Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Kimberly Hilbert

Kimberly Hilbert- Executive Secretary



Ann Robinson--Chair
Tazewell County Planning Commission