

**VIRGINIA:** at the **REGULAR MEETING** of the **Tazewell County Planning Commission** held April 14th, 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**  
**Eddie Pauley-Member (Exited 7:20 p.m.)**  
**Charlie Hart-Member**

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** **Kenneth Dunford, Jr., -- Director of County Engineering**  
**Kimberly Hilbert-Executive Secretary**  
**Chase Collins-- County Attorney**  
**Anita McReynolds-Visitor**  
**Jane Thornhill-Visitor**

**ABSENT:** **Jason Herndon-Member**  
**Darrell Addison-Member**

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Chairperson Robinson called the April 14th, 2022 regular meeting to order and presided at approximately 6:30 p.m.

She then welcomed all visitors and all those in attendance.

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**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Member Asbury gave the invocation, followed by, the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag by Assistant Chair Moss.

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**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FORMAT**

Upon motion of Member Hart, seconded by Member Pauley, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission hereby approves the agenda with item 6c. Subdivision Crab Orchard moving to 6a. and item 6a Subdivision-McReynolds moving to 6b.and Vacation of Dogwood

Avenue moving to 6c.

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**APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Upon motion by Member Pauley, seconded by Assistant Chair Moss, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby approve the March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes as written.

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**ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

**SUBDIVISION—CRAB ORCHARD**

Ms. June Thornhill, P.O. Box 162, Rosedale, VA 24280 was at the meeting to explain the subdivision. Currently, Fisher & Company sits on Historic Crab Orchard property and they would like to deed approximately .521 of an acre from parcel # A36 leaving 8.979 acres and .739 from parcel # A35 leaving 6.261 acres to the business.

Kenneth Dunford, Jr., Director of Engineering recommends approval of the subdivision. No variance will be needed since the property fronts a state maintained road and water/sewage is already available on the property. He would ask that the subdivision fee of \$112.00 be waived since it is a nonprofit organization.

Chase Collins, County Attorney recommends approval of the subdivision since it meets all the criteria for the Subdivision Ordinance. He also asks the board to waive the subdivision fee since it is of a charitable nature.

Upon motion of Member Pauley, seconded by Assistant Chair Moss, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the Crab Orchard/Fisher & Company Subdivision.

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**SUBDIVISION-EARLS**

**SUBDIVISION—McREYNOLDS**

Ms. Anita McReynolds was at the meeting to explain the subdivision. She will be purchasing property adjoining hers from the Altizers to be used for farming purposes. There is an existing pond and hay will be utilized from the land.

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Kenneth Dunford, Jr., recommends approval with a variance for sewage disposal. The land will be used primarily for farming purposes.

Chase Collins, County Attorney, recommends approval and stated there is a right of way from Naples Drive to the property, water is available but a variance would be needed for the sewage disposal.

Upon motion by Member Pauley, seconded by Member Hart, and approved by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the McReynolds Subdivision and grant a variance from the following Subdivision Ordinance:

- 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.

*\*Noting that the property will be used primarily for farm related purposes.\**

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### VACATION OF DOGWOOD AVENUE

Ms. McReynolds was present to speak on the vacation of Dogwood Avenue. It has never been used. She is asking that the Planning Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors to vacate the road avenue.

Chase Collins asked Ms. McReynolds if the surrounding property owners had been notified of her request. She stated no. Mr. Collins stated that letters would need to go to all surrounding property owners and a public hearing would need to be scheduled in May 2022.

Upon motion by Assistant Chair Moss, seconded by Member Pauley and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby recommend to the Tazewell County Board of Supervisors to consider the vacation of Dogwood Avenue.

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**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Nothing at this time.

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**DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING REPORT**

Mr. Dunford stated he had reached out to VDOT about the logging operation and the mud being tracked onto the highway and had not received a response back. Mr. Pauley stated that the state police had been there and the mud issue had been attended to.

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**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None at this time.

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**MEMBER CONCERNS**

**Member Pauley**—Junkyard-- Sheriff's Office to collect evidence. Per Mr. Collins a title search was done and the junkyard was not grandfathered in and it will be up to Code Enforcement to issue citations.

**Chairperson Robinson**-Still had the same issue with the property putting stuff in the river at Falls Mills. Mr. White still has not been in contact but Brian Triplett called and there is nothing that can be done. The property owner is back filling on his property. Suggestion was made to have a Trash Ordinance in the county to present to the Board of Supervisors. Per Mr. Collins part of the problem is General District Court dismissing the citations and there is no zoning in the county. Mr. Dunford stated that the fines had been modified to the highest limit possible in 2021 making it a Class 1 misdemeanor and up to a \$2,500.00 fine.

Chairperson Robinson spoke with County Administrator, Eric Young, and he requested that gas lines and solar farming be included in the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Dunford stated that was part of SolSmart.

Chairperson Robinson informed the commission that AEP is planning on upgrading the electric transmission grid in the town of Bluefield. The project will include a new 138 kilovolt substation and a quarter-mile 138kv electric transmission line. It is expected to begin summer 2022 and be completed by the end of 2023. There is a need in the Bluestone area for more power for future development.

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**Member Hart**— New meat processing Center in Charleston, WV. Curt Breeding will be going up and looking at the facility. There will be a meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the Extension Office on a Cattle Satellite Plant here in Tazewell.

**Member Asbury**—appreciates the strides being taken on the Comprehensive Plan.

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### COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Comprehensive Plan Committee met at 5:30 to begin updating the next section of the plan. Mr. Dunford went over the highlights and gave an update of the items to be changed. Ms. Hilbert will be sending out the next section to all members to go over for the next Planning Commission meeting and the committee will meet again next month before the regular meeting at 5:30 p.m.

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### ADJOURNED MEETING

Upon motion of Assistant Chair Moss, seconded by Member Hart, and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Member Pauley exiting early and with Members: Addison and Herndon absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission Regular Meeting is hereby adjourned at approximately 7:28 p.m. until Thursday, May 12th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

*Kimberly Hilbert*

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Kimberly Hilbert- Executive Secretary

  
Ann Robinson - Chair Tazewell County Planning Commission