VIRGINIA: at the REGULAR MEETING of the Tazewell County Planning Commission

held February 13th, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tazewell County Administration

Building, Tazewell, Virginia - 197 Main Street

PRESENT: Robert "Bob" Moss - Chairperson

Jason Herndon - Vice-Chairman

**Hayden Lyons - Member** 

**Lance Wimmer - Member** 

**OTHERS** 

PRESENT: Kenneth Dunford, Jr., - Director of County Engineering

**Chase Collins - County Attorney** 

**Brad Gibson - Executive Secretary** 

Jim Ribble - Land Surveyor

Robert Carlson – 1142 Lake Witten Rd, North Tazewell, VA

**ABSENT:** Kyle Cruey- Member

Anthony Ramella - Member

**Ann Robinson – Member** 

Chairman Moss called the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 regular meeting to order and presided at approximately 6:31 p.m.

He then welcomed all visitors and all those in attendance.

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Chairman Moss gave the invocation, followed by, the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag by Vice-Chairman Herndon.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA FORMAT

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Herndon, seconded by Member Lyons and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Members Cruey, Ramella, & Robinson absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission hereby **APPROVE** the agenda as presented.

# February 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

## APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 9th, 2025 REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Moss, seconded by Member Lyons, and voted on by a vote of 4 to 0, with Members Cruey, Ramella, & Robinson absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the January 9th Reorganizational Meeting Minutes as written.

#### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

## **Penland Property Subdivision**

Jim Ribble, land surveyor, spoke on behalf of the Penland Property Subdivision. The owner wants to split the property so that he can sell a residence on one lot and retain the remainder of the property. The piece that does not have a residence also does not have access to state highway, or septic/sewer, so a variance would be necessary.

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Herndon, seconded by Member Wimmer and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Members Cruey, Ramella, & Robinson absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission hereby **APPROVE** the Penland Property Subdivision, with a variance for connection to state highway and sewer.

#### **Solar Panel Ordinance discussion**

Chase Collins, County Attorney, informed the Commission that the state is no longer planning on a statewide solar power ordinance. Robert Carlson spoke to the Commission regarding potential solar panel contamination, and measures that Tazewell County has in place to prevent it. Mr. Collins will meet with the Board of Supervisors in March to discuss any changes they might want to make to the county solar power ordinance.

#### **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

None at this time.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None at this time.

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#### MEMBER CONCERNS

Vice-Chairman Herndon asked for the status of the flooding situation at Richlands Elementary School. Kenneth Dunford, Director of Engineering, stated that he was is a meeting today regarding the issues, and that all parties are working together to help resolve the issue.

Upon motion of Vice-Chairman Herndon, seconded by Member Wimmer, and adopted by a vote of 4 to 0, with Members Cruey, Ramella, & Robinson absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission Meeting is hereby adjourned at approximately 6:54 p.m. until Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. at the Tazewell County Boardroom.

Respectfully submitted:

**Brad Gibson** 

Brad Gibson - Executive Secretary

Robert "Bob" Moss - Chairman

**Tazewell County Planning Commission**