

VIRGINIA: at the **REGULAR MEETING** of the Tazewell County Planning Commission held November 13th, 2025 at 6:30 p.m. in the Tazewell County Administration Building, Tazewell, Virginia - 197 Main Street

PRESENT: Robert “Bob” Moss - Chairman
Jason Herndon - Vice-Chairman
Hayden Lyons – Member
Anthony Ramella – Member
Lance Wimmer - Member

OTHERS

PRESENT: Kenneth Dunford, Jr., - Director of County Engineering
Brad Gibson - Executive Secretary
John Gunter – 119 Elmhurst Rd
Andrew Crawford – 183 Old Dominion Dr, Rosedale, VA 24280

ABSENT: Kyle Cruvey- Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Moss called the November 13th, 2025 regular meeting to order and presided at approximately 6:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Member Ramella gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the US flag by Member Lyons.

3. WELCOME VISITORS

Chairman Moss welcomed those in attendance.

4. APPROVAL OF THE REVISED AGENDA FORMAT

Kenneth Dunford, Director of Engineering, presented the Planning Commission with a revised agenda.

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Upon motion of Member Lyons, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herndon, and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Cruet absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission hereby **APPROVE** the revised agenda as presented.

5. APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 9th, 2025 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Moss asked the Commission to take a few minutes to review the October 9th regular meeting minutes.

Member Wimmer noticed a typo, and asked that G*i*nter be corrected to Gunter in the presented minutes.

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Herndon, seconded by Member Wimmer, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Cruet absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the October 9th regular meeting minutes, contingent on G*i*nter being corrected to Gunter.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Debbie Gunter Planning Commission Memorandum (6/6/1991)

Mr. Dunford presented the Commission with a resolution to resolve the June 6th, 1991 Planning Commission memorandum that was discussed at the October 9th, 2025, meeting. John Gunter, owner of 119 Elmhurst Rd, spoke on behalf of the resolution. Mr. Gunter mentioned that there was a spelling error on the second page (Gunt*h*er instead of Gunter). Mr. Dunford advised that this error would not affect the resolution, as it is spelled correctly everywhere else.

Vice-Chairman Herndon motioned to approve the resolution contingent on correcting the spelling error. Chairman Moss & Mr. Dunford advised that fixing the error is not needed. Vice-Chairman Herndon revised his motion:

Upon motion by Vice-Chairman Herndon, seconded by Member Lyons, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Cruet absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** the Resolution Granting Variance to Subdivision Ordinance for Parcel Number 039A0026A.

Monk Mining Supply Division

Andrew Crawford, surveyor with Bailey Engineering, spoke on behalf of the division. Mr. Crawford said that a variance would be needed due to a shortage of road frontage. Mr. Dunford said that the requested variance would resolve his only issue with the division.

Upon motion by Member Wimmer, seconded by Member Ramella, and voted on by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Cruvey absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission does hereby **APPROVE** Monk Mining Supply Division with a variance for road frontage.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

None at this time.

8. ENGINEERING REPORT

Mr. Dunford advised the Commission that temporary construction will be at Richlands Elementary School to deter continued flooding in that area. A portion of the project will be done during the winter, and entirety will be finished in spring. There may still be a need to pump stormwater during heavy rain events, but the stormwater will be able to be pumped into the pipes under the ballfield and in drainage structures installed by the Town of Richlands instead of pumping the water onto the roadway.

9. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None at this time

10. MEMBER CONCERNS

Member Lyons asked if there are any updates on the slaughter house or fish farm, but there are none at this time. Member Lyons then asked for clarification on the ATV resolution that the Board of Supervisors passed at their November 6th meeting. Brad Gibson, Executive Secretary, was in attendance at the Board meeting and gave the following summary:

The Board of Supervisors approved an ordinance restricting ATV usage in Burkes Garden. Eric Young, County Administrator & interim County Attorney, wrote the ordinance and assured those in attendance that it does not overstep any existing Virginia code, and that operating an ATV on any public road in the Commonwealth is already against the law.

Vice-Chairman Herndon asked if the County has hired a County Attorney yet. Mr. Gibson advised that the Board of Supervisors voted to begin the process of finding a new County Attorney, and that applications are due by November 30th.



11. ADJOURN

Upon motion of Member Lyons, seconded by Vice-Chairman Herndon, and adopted by a vote of 5 to 0, with Member Cruet absent from the meeting, the Tazewell County Planning Commission Meeting is hereby adjourned at approximately 7:14 p.m. until Thursday, December 11th, 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