



TOWN OF GORDONSVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

Monday, May 9, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Council Chambers

The Town of Gordonsville Planning Commission met in regular session in Council Chambers of Town Hall. Members present were: Chairman Ron Higgins, Vice-Chairman James Bradley, Commissioner Tim Ferguson, Commissioner Jennifer Mauller and Commissioner Toni Winkey-Scott*. Staff present was Town Manager/Commission Secretary Deborah Kendall.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Higgins called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and stated that a quorum was present to conduct business.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Bradley, to approve the agenda as presented. The vote was 4-0.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Vice-Chairman Bradley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Mauller, to approve the minutes of April 11, 2016, as presented. The vote was 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Conditional Use Permit request for 314 N. Main Street

Mrs. Kendall presented the staff report and application.

The Commission discussed the application and the proposed use of the property as a church. The applicant was not present at the meeting.

Mr. Charles Jaeger, adjoining property owner, was present at the meeting and noted that his investigation into the request revealed that the current church may be too small for the

congregation wishing to locate in the former Christian Church building. He also noted that services may be well-attended and that the pastor is well-sought-after. Mr. Jaeger further expressed his concern about his quietude, late services, early services and the number of activities that might be held by the church. He further stated his hope that the Planning Commission will place conditions on the church because he is concerned that the church will grow and have a greater impact on surrounding properties (number of parishioners and number of services) than was experienced when the Christian Church held services there.

The Planning Commission discussed the application and indicated more information would be needed from the applicant about the church's intended use of the property before they could take action on the requested conditional use permit.

Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Bradley, to table action on the conditional use permit until the next meeting. The vote was 4-0.

**Commissioner Winkey-Scott entered the meeting at 7:09 p.m.*

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review of draft Floodplain Ordinance

Mrs. Kendall reviewed changes to the draft ordinance. With regard to the development of frequently asked questions to be sent out to affected property owners, Mrs. Kendall requested that the Commissioners provide her with their suggested questions by May 20th.

Vice-Chairman Bradley made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Ferguson, to schedule a public hearing for June 13, 2016 to receive public comment on the draft floodplain management ordinance. The vote was 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Commission, Commissioner Ferguson made a motion, seconded Commissioner Winkey-Scott, that the meeting being adjourned. The motion carried by unanimous vote. Chairman Higgins adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Deborah S. Kendall, AICP, Secretary