

Development Review Board/ Panton Planning Commission

October 1, 2009

Present; Deeny Marshall, Barbara Fleming, Zoning Administrator Ed Hanson, Gary Norton, Jim Darragh, Louise Giovanella, Committee Chair David Raphael

Others present; Beth Tarallo

Development Review Board

Meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. the previous meeting minutes were reviewed Deeny Marshall motioned to accept the minutes with an amendment Louise Giovanella 2nd. Unanimously approved.

Old/New Business

Ed Hanson stated that the Biellos' final plat plan review for a new subdivision is scheduled for November 5, 2009. There are currently two violations against Vorsteveld Farm before the select board. Lawyer Carl Neuse has been recommended to represent the town in this case. The non-permitted apartment located at the intersection of East St. and Rt. 22A is unresolved at this time. The findings of fact have been recorded for the Klopfenstein application for the conditional use of part of the existing B. J.'s Farm Supply store. Louise Giovanella motioned to adjourn Barbara Fleming 2nd. Unanimously approved.

Panton Planning Commission

Meeting convened at 7:27 p.m. the previous meeting minutes were reviewed Louise Giovanella motioned to accept the minutes with an amendment Jim Darragh 2nd. Unanimously approved.

Old/ New Business

Select board member Beth Tarallo shared the results of the public meeting concerning seeking a grant to make improvements to the Town Hall. She shared the process involved in seeking grants and funds and their availability. The town is interested in pursuing a grant that will involve maintaining in the Town Hall a visitor/welcome center that will be open from Memorial Day through Labor Day at least. Improvements will include upgrading one rest room and the septic system along with the buildings' structural integrity. Staffing the visitor/ welcome will be the responsibility of the town.

David Raphael will research what is involved in the town becoming part of a scenic by-way. The Junipers in the Town Park had to be removed due to disease. A discussion concerning liability to the Town on town property followed.

Louise Giovanella shared that Mark Hatler and she were looking into establishing a system of walking trails within the town. Landowner Mike O'Daniel has expressed interest in this.

David Raphael suggested that the Town Plan should support such a trail system.

The next chapters to be reviewed for the Town Plan are David Raphael-Natural Resources, Barbara Fleming-Community Facilities and Services, David Raphael-Historic, Cultural and Scenic Resources and Jim Darragh-Energy. The Implementation sections of the Town Plan will be reviewed by the PC together. Louise Giovanella motioned to adjourn Gary Norton 2nd.

Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Huff
Clerk