

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Zoning and Planning Board

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

Lake Lure Municipal Center

ROLL CALL

Present:

Bruce Barrett

Charlie Ellis, Vice-Chair

Jonathan Hinkle

John Moore, Council Liaison

Absent:

Norman McGlohon

Thomas M McKay, Chair

Also Present: Shannon Baldwin, Community Development Director

Brad Burton, Code Enforcement Coordinator

Clint Calhoun, Environmental Management Officer

Michelle Jolley, Recording Secretary

The meeting started at 9:37 a.m. Vice-Chair Ellis led the pledge of allegiance and Mr. Barrett gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Barrett made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Hinkle seconded and all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Barrett made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2017 regular meeting as amended. Mr. Hinkle seconded and all voted in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Review Tree Protection Provisions – Workshop with Clint Calhoun

Mr. Calhoun and Mr. Burton conducted a workshop and explained the recommended changes included in the packet. Commissioner Moore suggested placing "See Steep Slope Ordinance" in the regulations. He noted he has heard several complaints from people that do not know the regulations and do not understand what they need to do for tree work or land clearing. Mr. Burton mentioned that a reference could be added to the ordinance for the "Mountain & Hillside Development Regulations." Vice-Chair Ellis suggested that if Council amends the regulations to include changes, a post card letter or brochure could be sent out to all residents to educate them on the regulations and changes. Mr. Calhoun explained that a tree service provider has to be licensed with the Town, but a permit is not needed. He added that a homeowner does not need to be licensed to take down trees on their own property. Vice-Chair Ellis inquired about capitalization of words in the tree protection ordinance that are defined in the zoning regulations. He suggested asking the town attorney if those words needed to be capitalized. He asked if the tree service provider's list could be made accessible on the town's website. Mr. Burton explained he would like to strike "or septic permit" in the recommended changes in the Mountain & Hillside Development, Section 92.205 (A).

Mr. Baldwin explained he would read over comments and recommendations made during this meeting and come back next month with a revised recommendation of changes to the tree protection ordinances.

PLANNING PROJECTS UPDATE

Mr. Baldwin provided an update to the Board.

Upon a motion by Mr. Barrett and seconded by Mr. Hinkle, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at the Lake Lure Municipal Center.

ATTEST

Charlie Ellis, Vice-Chair

Michelle Jolley, Recording Secretary