



Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

10:00 AM

Assembly Chambers

1. Call To Order/Roll Call

Present: 5 - Chris Fry, Dave Kensinger, Tom Stearns, Mike Bangs and Otis Marsh

2. Approval of previous meetings minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, seconded by Commissioner Mike Bangs, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

A.

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2015

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes of P&Z 8.11.2015](#)

3. Amendment and approval of agenda

Add line 9 B for the scheduling of the Grundberg variance and conditional use applications.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, seconded by Commissioner Tom Stearns, that this agenda be approved as amended to add item 9 B for the scheduling of the Grundberg variance and conditional use applications. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Public Hearing

A.

Mark Severson variance application.

Attachments: [Severson Docs 9.2015](#)

Mark Severson is present for the public hearing. Commissioner Bangs asked if there was a fire concern for the proximity of the proposed construction. Discussion. Concern has been expressed by the neighbor, Pat Weaver. Discussion. Bangs asked Mr. Severson if his ultimate goal was to cover nets. Mr. Severson responded that that was the aim, with the nets being left on a trailer. Discussion. Bangs stated that since the fire portion of this issue is going to be taken care of, his concerns are exceeding the 35% maximum use of the property and snow shedding. If Mr. Severson uses the existing plans, he will be over the allotted 35% use of the property. Commissioner Kensinger asked Severson if reducing the footprint of the overhang would work for him. Mr. Severson was agreeable to this. Discussion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Bangs, seconded by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, that this public hearing be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

B.

Popp Conditional Use application

Attachments: [Popp Docs 9.2015](#)

Director Cabrera directed the Commission to her report. No objections to Ms. Popp's request have been recieved. Ms. Popp and Marissa Martens are present to answer any questions. Discussion regarding impact on neighbors.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, seconded by Commissioner Mike Bangs, that this public hearing be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

C.

Menish Special Use Application

Attachments: [Menish Docs 9.2015](#)

No comments received to the letters mailed out or public turn out for this hearing. Discussion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, seconded by Commissioner Mike Bangs, that this public hearing be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

5. Visitors' views related to agenda items

None

6. Visitors' views unrelated to agenda items

None

7. Report of staff members

Director Cabrera stated that the consultants for the Comprehensive Plan have rescheduled to be in Petersburg Septemeber 19-23 and will schedule meetings with the Commission and the public.

8. Unfinished Business**A. Consideration of a variance application from Mark Severson to extend an existing net house to 0' from the property line at 109 Cornelius.**

Mr. Severson is to reduce the edge of the roof to 5' to keep the footprint within the 35% maximum of lot usage. Snow stops on existing roof and modify pole placement.

Findings of fact 1 has been met due to the fact that the existing structure has no other areas which may be used for adding space. Unanimously agreed.

Findings of fact 2 has been met by minimum impact on this parcel. Unanimously agreed.

Findings of fact 3 has been met by using snow clips and that there are no fire hazards. Conditions include roofline is to be no closer than 5' to the fence, snow clips are be used and the footprint of the lot coverage is not to exceed 35%. Unanimously agreed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Bangs, seconded by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, that this variance be approved as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

- B. Consideration of a conditional use permit for Kayla Popp to operate a home occupation at 704 Rambler Street.

Possible future expansion was discussed. Inspector Bertagnoli gave a breakdown of what the ordinance states. Limitations were also discussed.

Findings of facts as submitted by Director Cabrera were approved as one unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Bangs, seconded by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, that this conditional use be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

- C. Consideration of a special use permit from Bill Menish to construct a driveway within the Tango Street R.O.W. at 710 South Nordic Drive.

Findings of fact as submitted by Director Cabrera were passed as a whole unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mike Bangs, seconded by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, that this special use permit be recommended for approval to the Borough Assembly. The motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business

A.

Kissinger conditional use permit review

Attachments: [Kissinger Docs 9.2015](#)

Everett and Kris Kissinger are present on their own behalf as is Russ Beers. Inspector Bertagnoli reviewed the history of the conditional use permits history and restrictions. Commissioner Kensinger asked how the new "nuisance ordinance" works. Director Cabrera reviewed what is covered by that. Bertagnoli stated that something that was never considered at the inception of this permit was the 525 square foot maximum use including inventory which comes under "business operations square footage". Discussion. Mr. Beers read his objections to the conditional use permit into the record, requesting that the Kissinger's phase out their business and find another location for this endeavor. The Kissinger's spoke on their own behalf and conceded that on one side of the property the noise is louder but they don't feel that it's offensive since the business only does about 20 board feet in a year and have never exceeded that. Kissinger's have also offered to move the mill to the other side of the house or other compromises for Beers but these offers were all rejected as not acceptable. Beers told them that he just wants the mill gone. Discussion. Commissioner Bangs stated that since the Kissinger's have kept within the limitations of their permit, it's just unfortunate that this is disruptive to Beers. More compromises were discussed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dave Kensinger, seconded by Commissioner Mike Bangs, that the Kissinger's work on some of the compromises discussed today and that the Commission revisit the issue and do a site visit of the mill in the Summer of 2016. The motion carried unanimously.

Eric Grundberg CUP and Variance application

Attachments: [Grundberg.Dox. PZ#15-298](#)

Commissioner Kensinger stated that he was unable to read this copy and requested that better copies be submitted in the future. Bertagnoli stated this was submitted while Mr. Grundberg was out of town and documents were scanned and emailed. Bertagnoli gave a brief history of the property and existing warehouse. Discussion.

Commissioner Kensinger made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bangs to accept the Grundberg applications that they be scheduled for the next scheduled Planning Commission meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Discussion items

Next meeting is scheduled for October 13th at 10:00am

11. Adjournment

Motion was made by Commissioner Stearns seconded by Commissioner Bangs to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.