

Town of Seven Devils
Planning Board Minutes
Regularly Scheduled Meeting
February 3, 2014

The Seven Devils Planning Board met on Monday, February 3, 2014, at Town Hall. Town Manager Evans called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Members present were Butch McLean, Bob Haugh, George Ehlinger, Barry Isquith, Brady Sasse, and Michael Douglas. Member Frank Sell was absent. Town Manager/Zoning Administrator Ed Evans was also present. The minutes were recorded by Sara Miller, Town Clerk.

Administration of Oath of Office—Town Clerk Sara Miller administered the Oath of Office to new member, Michael Douglas.

Adopt Agenda

Member Isquith made a motion to adopt the agenda. Member McLean seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Election of Chair and Vice-chair

Manager Evans opened the floor for nominations for Chair. Member Haugh nominated Butch McLean. Member Ehlinger also made a motion for Member McLean to be Chair of the Planning Board. Member Isquith seconded the motion. With no further nominations, Member Isquith moved to close the nominations. All members voted, and agreed unanimously that Member Butch McLean was reelected Planning Board Chair.

Manager Evans opened the floor for nominations of Vice-Chair. Chairman McLean nominated Bob Haugh. Member Isquith also made a motion for Member Haugh to be Vice-Chair of the Planning Board. Member Sasse seconded the motion. With no further nominations, Member Isquith moved to close the nominations. All members voted, and agreed unanimously that Member Bob Haugh was reelected Planning Board Vice-Chair.

Approve Old Minutes – September 17, 2013

Member Isquith made a motion to approve the September 17, 2013 minutes. Member Haugh seconded the motion. Member Douglas abstained from voting, the motion passed with 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.

Administrative Comments

Manager Evans gave the board a Town construction update, stating that things were slow that time of year, and no new permits had been issued. Manager Evans stated that Jeff Kattner, 120 Buckeye Lane, was still planning to move forward with his project, but had switched contractors. He also stated that two residents had come in to present possible new building projects, Eddie Williams and Earl Pariseau.

Old Business

Conditional Uses—Defining the conditions in our UDO—Manager Evans asked if the issue could be tabled for a later meeting date, as the research and preparation for it was not finished and it is a monumental task. Chairman McLean agreed and no action was taken. ~OPEN~

Expiring terms of Planning Board Members—Manager Evans stated that the Town Council had approved the board appointments for the new term. Members George Ehlinger and Bob Haugh were reappointed, and new Member Michael Douglas was appointed to the Board. ~CLOSED~

New Business

Planning Board membership structure—After some discussion, the Board decided that no recommendation was necessary to the Town Council, as they wanted to leave the structure of the Planning Board the way it currently is with seven voting members. ~CLOSED~

Board of Adjustment membership structure—After some discussion, the Board recommended to the Town Council that the Board of Adjustment structure be changed to five voting members and two alternates. Member Haugh made the motion of recommendation, Member Isquith seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. ~CLOSED~

UDO changes—Board of Adjustment—After some discussion and explanation that the reason for the changes came down as a NC Legislative requirement, the Board recommended to the Town Council the proposed changes to the Unified Development Ordinance as they were presented. Member Isquith made the motion of recommendation, Member Sasse seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously. ~CLOSED~

Citizen Comments

Larry Fontaine, 127 W. Rocky Top, thanked the Board and Chairman McLean for all their hard work and dedication. He also thanked new Member Douglas for stepping forward and becoming a member of the Board. He also pointed out the new travel sign at the base of the mountain being an asset as well as a request that the Christmas decorations be taken down earlier next year.

Board Member Comments

Chairman McLean thanked the Board for all of their hard work and dedication, and for serving the Town. Manager Evans also stated that he was appreciative of all the members, and for them serving and giving such beneficial input.

Adjourn

Member Isquith made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 PM. Chairman McLean seconded the motion. The members agreed unanimously.

Butch McLean, Chair

Sara Miller, Town Clerk