

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 4, 2017
6:00 p.m.**

The Planning Commission of the Town of Rocky Mount, Virginia met in the Council Chambers of the Rocky Mount Municipal Building, located at 345 Donald Avenue, Rocky Mount, Virginia, at 6:00 p.m. on April 4, 2017, for its regular monthly meeting with Madame Chair Janet Stockton presiding.

Commission Members Present:

- Janet Stockton, Chair
- John Speidel, Vice Chairman
- Member Derwin Hall
- Member Jerry Greer
- Member Ina Clements
- Member John Tiggle

Commission Members Absent:

- Member Bud Blanchard

Staff Members Present:

- Assistant Town Manager Matt Hankins
- Town Planner Josh Gibson
- Planning Commission Clerk Jessica Heckman
- Town Attorney John Boitnott
- Finance Director Linda Woody

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve as presented

Motion By: Member Ina Clements

Second: Vice Chair John Speidel

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

Let the record show that prior to the meeting, Planning Commission received the following draft minutes for review and consideration of approval: **March 7, 2017 - Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve the minutes as presented

Motion By: Member John Tiggle

Second: Vice Chair John Speidel

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

Public Hearings

5 Year Capital Improvement Plan for fiscal period July 1, 2017-June 30, 2022

Linda Woody presented the Capital Improvement Plan and asked the Commission if they had any questions. She discussed various expenses that have been removed and some that will be funded. She asked if members had anything they felt should be added or removed. An open discussion ensued. Let the record show there were no comments from the public.

Motion: Recommend Town Council approve the Capital Improvement Plan as presented by staff.

Motion By: Member John Tiggle

Second: Member Jerry Greer

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

Amendment to the Town's Comprehensive Plan

Josh Gibson presented the proposed amendment to the Town's Comprehensive plan. The amendment adds an appendix to the Comprehensive plan which will allow the Town to prioritize transportation projects and needs. An open discussion ensued. Let the record show there were no comments from the public.

Motion: Recommend Town Council approve the Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan, specifically adding an appendix for transportation projects.

Motion By: Vice Chair John Speidel

Second: Member Jerry Greer

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

Commission Concerns

Member Derwin Hall expressed concerns he has for the crosswalks in Town not being used correctly. He suggested educating citizens on crosswalks to prevent accidents. An open discussion ensued.

Staff Updates:

Josh Gibson updated the Commission on the Smart Scale meeting. He commented that he was pretty confident that the Angle Bridge project would be funded.

Josh also updated the Commission on the Floyd/Franklin intersection. He noted engineers are still working on possible solutions. An open discussion ensued.

Chair Janet Stockton inquired about potential restaurants. An open discussion ensued.

With no further discussion, a motion was made to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn By: Member Jerry Greer

Second: Member Ina Clements

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 6:51 p.m.

Janet Stockton, Chairman

ATTEST:

Jessica H. Heckman, Clerk

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