

**TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNT  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
May 1, 2018  
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 May 1, 2018, for its regular monthly meeting with Madame Chair Janet Stockton presiding.

Commission Members Present:

- Chair Janet Stockton
- Vice Chairman John Speidel
- Member Derwin Hall
- Member Ina Clements
- Member Bud Blanchard
- Member John Tiggle

Commission Members Absent:

- Member Jerry Greer

Staff Members Present:

- Assistant Town Manager Matthew Hankins
- Town Planner Jessica Heckman
- Planning Commission Clerk Cherie Compton
- Town Attorney John Boitnott

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve agenda with the addition of street name change under new business.

Motion By: Member Derwin Hall

Second: Member Ina Clements

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:

**April 3, 2018- Regular Meeting Minutes**

Additions or Corrections: None

Motion: To approve minutes as presented

Motion By: Member Ina Clements

Second: Member John Tiggle

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

### **New Business**

Derwin Hall asked about possibly changing the street name of Penny Lane to Gary Gilmore Drive. Mr. Hall presented information about Gary Gilmore's biography and association with the Town.

Motion: To research the possibility of renaming Penny Lane to Gary Gilmore Drive

Motion By: Member Derwin Hall

Second: Vice Chairman John Speidel

Action: Approved by unanimous vote of members present

### **Commissioner Concerns**

Vice Chairman John Speidel asked about Bed & Breakfast taxes and about the pipeline workers staying in and around Rocky Mount affecting hotels, houses for rent, taxes. An open discussion ensued.

### **Staff Updates:**

Town Planner Jessica Heckman gave an update on public art changes, old fire station mural, Movies at the Market, and Smart Scale design.

Matthew Hankins gave an update on the First Responders Memorial, possible auto parts store on Route 40 East. An open discussion ensued.

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to Adjourn By: Member Ina Clements

Second: Member John Tiggle

Action: Approved by a unanimous vote of members present

Time of Adjournment: 6:36 p.m.

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Janet Stockton, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Cherie Q. Compton, Clerk