

**AMHERST COUNTY
ROUTE 29 BUSINESS BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018
MINUTES**

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A public meeting for the Route 29 Business Beautification Committee was held on Wednesday, August 1, 2018 in the County Administration Meeting Room located in the Administration Building at 153 Washington Street, Amherst, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Jones, Chairman
Calvin Kennon, Vice Chairman
Lori Saunders
Teresa Brooks-Dudley
Dottie Rucker
Jeremy Bryant
Benita Unrue

STAFF PRESENT: Dylan Bishop, Assistant Zoning Administrator/Planner
Stacey Stinnett, Administrative Assistant

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes for May 23, 2018
4. Citizens Comments
5. Discussion
6. Update on Banner Prices and WEP Pole Attachment
7. Old / New Business
8. Adjournment

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Jones called to order at 4:00 PM.

Ms. Jones asked that the Committee have a moment of silence in memory of fellow committee member C.T. Wingfield.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Action:

Motion: Kennon Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 7-0 vote.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR MAY 23, 2018

The May 23, 2018 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

Action:

Motion: Brooks-Dudley Motion to approve the Route 29 Business
Beautification Corridor Minutes for May 23, 2018.

Second: Kennon

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote. (Jones abstained)

Mr. Bryant introduced Willow Mikles as the new office intern.

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were none.

5. DISCUSSION

Stacey Stinnett presented three price quotes from McBride Signs, FastSigns, and PIP Signs regarding the banners, hardware and installation.

Dylan Bishop stated that she had met with Steven Wright, a traffic engineer with VDOT on areas that trees could not be planted wither due to sight distance or topography. Ms. Bishop also stated that AEP had reached out to her and have authorized 71 poles that as of now can be used for the banners.

Willow Mikles, office intern, stated that she was working on placing allocated trees (in accordance to VDOT regulations) in locations on the GIS map.

6. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Lori Saunders mentioned that she has spoken with Stuart Johnson with CSE about having them take the Exxon Sign down. Mr. Johnson had given her a date of August 8th and Ms. Saunders stated that she would like to contact the News and Advance of this date for media coverage. Mr. Bryant stated that he would contact the property owner(s) of this date of removing the sign.

Mr. Bryant asked the committee how they felt about staff going to the Board of Supervisors and having them designate a group to help with maintaining the grass and trees. The committee agreed.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:36 pm.

Action:

Motion: Kennon

Motion to adjourn.

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote.

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Chairman

