AMHERST COUNTY ROUTE 29 BUSINESS BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2016 MINUTES

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A public meeting for the Route 29 Business Beautification Committee was held on Thursday, November 3, 2016, in Board of Supervisors Room located in the Administration Building at 153 Washington Street, Amherst, VA.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beverly Jones, Chairman

Calvin Kennon Lori Saunders Benita Unrue Dottie Rucker

Teresa Brooks-Dudley

MEMBERS ABSENT: Lesley McPhatter

STAFF PRESENT: Jeremy Bryant, Director of Planning/Zoning

Stacey Stinnett, Administrative Assistant

Austin Mitchell, Assistant Zoning Administrator/Planner

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order Jeremy (Bryant (Staff)
- 2. Election of Chairman and Secretary
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Citizens Comments
- 5. Review of Charter
- 6. Presentation by Staff and Discussion
- 7. Review and Discuss Future Meeting Dates
- 8. Adjournment

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bryant (Staff) called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN and SECRETARY

CHAIRMAN:

Motion: Kennon

Make a motion to nominate Beverly Jones as

Chairman.

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote.

SECRETARY:

Motion: Unrue

Make a motion to nominate Stacey Stinnett as

Secretary.

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote.

Mrs. Jones proceeded with the meeting as Chairman

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

Planning Commission Action:

Motion: Kennon

Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were none.

5. REVIEW OF CHARTER

Mr. Bryant reviewed the Route 29 Business Beautification Committee (Madison Heights) Charter and stated the purpose is to beautify the roadways of Amherst County so as to instill pride and appreciation of the citizenry and the attractiveness of their community. The Committee will work towards promoting the attraction of customers to the 29 Business corridor and will provide citizens an opportunity to take an active role in the appearance of our community.

6. PRESENTATION BY STAFF AND DISCUSSION

Mr. Bryant presented pictures of the Route 29 Business Corridor, and the committee watched a short video of the Lynchburg Expressway Appreciation Fund (LEAF) project. This project included gardens funded by local businesses to improve the appearance of the Lynchburg expressway.

The Committee had a discussion and expressed ideas on improvements. Some of these consisted on signs, grants, community involvement, sidewalks, street lights and responsibilities that the Virginia Department of Transportation could contribute.

Mr. Bryant asked the Committee to put together individual lists and email to Stacey Stinnett with the plan to prioritize the combined list as a committee at the next meeting date.

7. REVIEW AND DISCUSS FUTURE MEETING DATES

The Committee agreed to meet again Tuesday, November 22nd at 4:00 pm.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Planning Commission Recommendation:

Motion: Kennon

Motion to adjourn.

Beuerly C. Jones

Second: Brooks-Dudley

The motion carried by a 6-0 vote.

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