



ORIENTAL PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

Wednesday, October 17, 2018 3:00PM
Oriental Town Hall – 507 Church Street, Oriental, NC

CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

PRESENT: Chairman Aeschleman, Vice Chair Lohmar, Member Barrow, LUA Miller, Commissioner Overcash, Mayor Pro Tempore White. Absent: Member Flaherty (in hospital), Member Winfrey.

OLD BUSINESS

- Vice Chair Lohmar made a MOTION to accept the Minutes from August and September as written. Member Barrow seconded. 3-0.
- The Board moved the SIGNS discussion to the beginning of the meeting to facilitate a schedule for Mayor Pro Tempore White. The Board discussed, at Town Board direction, potential adjustments to the sign portion of the GMO to facilitate easier enforcement of noncompliant signage in town. The Planning Board ended with a slight adjustment- to be added to a list that will come the Board of Commissioners following a grouping of similarly small adjustments. The included adjustment recommended is to remove the requirement of a certified letter and allow the Land Use Administrator to remove temporary and noncompliant signage as found, hold at Town Hall for some period of time, and allow owners to retrieve if so desired. No other adjustments recommended following extended discussion.
- Chairman Aeschleman will go through CAMA LUP changes with LUA and forward to the Planning Board for review.

NEW BUSINESS

- Complaints of several trailers in Town have prompted the Town Board to request that the Planning Board review the Ordinance allowing temp trailers for use during renovation required following storms. All trailers located in Town at this time have secured Land Use Permits to be used while renovating/rebuilding lost structures/boats.
- An SUP request has been forwarded by Mr. Lamont Jones of New Bern for reopening of the former Old Steamer building into a Lounge/Nightclub at the location called Valentino's. Paperwork is attached to be forwarded. The Planning Board issued a recommendation for approval to the Town Board after significant discussion on Parking requirements. No on-street parking will be allowed. The reconfiguration of the interior will determine the number of spaces required. The LUA, with the Public Works Director can confirm 19 of the 20 platted spaces are compliant, with one being removed as it sits over a sewer easement. The LUA believes that the estimate of potential patron floor space is consistent with the number of spaces available, but without an actual floor plan cannot guarantee.

Having said that, She recommended that the Planning Board attach a condition to the recommendation for approval that states the parking spaces, if not sufficient following reconfiguration of patron floorspace, would need to be supplemented with satellite parking as necessary. Mr. Jones was present and in agreement that, if granted, all requirements would be met.

- An SUP has been submitted for a Short term rental and it is requested that the Planning Board request a Public Hearing. The Board recommended that the Public Hearing be scheduled for January, as the December notice of Public Hearing cannot be met locally due to nonpublication of the Pamlico News over Christmas week.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS / PUBLIC COMMENT

ADJOURN Meeting was adjourned on a MOTION by Member Barrow with second from Vice Chair Lohmar.

Stan Aeschleman, Chairman

Diane Miller, Clerk to the Board

Approved: _____