



The following are the minutes from the Planning and Zoning Meeting held on Wednesday, October 30, 2019 in the Abita Springs Town Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Bryan Gowland. Commissioners in attendance included Barbara Jackson, Bryan Gowland, Eric Templet and Dan Underwood. Byron Armand was absent. Planning & Zoning Director Cindy Chatelain was also present.

Bryan Gowland called the meeting to order by welcoming everyone in attendance. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Eric Templet motioned to accept the minutes from the last meeting and to dispense with their reading. Seconded by Dan Underwood. All in favor.

Bryan Gowland opened the Planning Portion of the meeting and noted that the next item had been advertised as Public Hearing.

Mr. & Mrs. Blitch are asking for a recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Commission to revoke a portion of North Street between Magnolia and Pine Streets. Bryan Gowland noted that it is the commission's duty to determine if the street is necessary.

Ron Blitch spoke on behalf of Mr. & Mrs. Blitch. He explained the plans for the property if it is revoked. The Blitch family would like to maintain the property as green space. They would remove the undergrowth to allow the mature trees to flourish.

Bryan Gowland noted that the adjacent property owners, the Clifton Family, had sent in two e-mails, one from MiMi Clifton and one from the property's trust attorney, stating that they were not in favor of the revocation.

Discussion took place. Bryan Gowland explained the options at hand. It was also noted that if the revocation isn't approved, that the Blitch family could still clean up and maintain the property, but they could not fence it or place any permanent structure on it.

Eric Templet motioned to send this item to the Town Council with NO RECOMMENDATION. Seconded by Dan Underwood. All in favor.

Ron Blitch then asked what the next step was. He was referred to the front office to be put on the Public Committee Agenda where it could then move to the Town Council.

Bryan Gowland closed the Planning Portion and opened The Zoning Portion of the meeting.

The Town Council forwarded the Amendments to Section 9-223 relating to Accessory Structures, Height & Size.

The Planning & Zoning Commission review the draft. They assumed by the wording that Accessory Structures are allowed in all zonings. Ancillary Structures are allowed in the Residential District and Appurtenant Structures are allowed only in the Commercial Zoning. They asked that the sizes be clarified/revisited, specifically 2, 3 & 4 on Page 2 of the paperwork. Dan Underwood made the motion which was seconded by Eric Templet. All in favor.

With no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Underwood. Seconded by Barbara Jackson. All in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2019.

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Cindy Chatelain, Planning & Zoning Director

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Date