

MARSHVILLE PLANNING BOARD

April 9, 2018 Minutes

Board Members Present: Chairwoman Susan Drake, Fred Burton, Frances Griffin, Sue Helms, and Rusty Johnson.

Others present: Richard Smith (Planning Advisor), Yvonne Janssen (Code Enforcement Officer), and Emily McCallum (Parks and Recreation Director) and Amy Griffin (Planning Board Secretary).

Absent: Vice Chairman Mark Traywick, Brian Weber.

Chairwoman Drake called the meeting to order. Mr. Johnson provided invocation and everyone recited the Pledge.

Elections of Officers

Mr. Johnson made a motion for Susan Drake to remain the Chairwoman, Mr. Burton seconded, and all voted in favor. Mr. Johnson made a motion for Fred Burton to be the Vice Chairman, Mrs. Griffin seconded, and all voted in favor.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the February 12th Planning Board Minutes, Mr. Burton seconded, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Sign Ordinance Discussion

After the Council's meeting, they sent back the ordinance with some changes. There is some discussion of where the Town's sign will be if Town Hall stays at current address or moves to Community Center. Regardless, Planning Board is creating a sign ordinance for the Town. The gentleman with the sign company believed Planning Board's recommendation of 5,000 nits was not enough since the industry standard is 7,500. Town Council asked for 10,000 nits during daylight hours on Hwy 74 Commercial. Chairwoman Drake also clarified that Highway 74 Commercial is by right and TMU and Civic are under Conditional Use. Council also wanted to change scrolling time from the 7 to 8 seconds Planning Board suggested to 2 to 3 seconds. Chairwoman Drake reminded the Board they could stick with their original recommendation or change it but Council had the final decision on the matter. After much discussion, Mr. Johnson suggested we increase the daytime nits to 10,000 but leave the scrolling time at 7 to 8 seconds. Mr. Johnson made a motion to leave the original recommendations with the exception of changing brightness during daylight hours to a maximum of 10,000 nits, Ms. Helms seconded, and it was approved unanimously.

Table of Use Discussion -

Chairwoman Drake suggested that there are some Main Street businesses that should really be Commercial 74 and she would like that to be part of the discussion for next month. Chairwoman Drake brought up the woman who wanted to open a Special Events location in Downtown Main Street but it couldn't be approved due to parking issues. There was also interest in a Microbrewery in Downtown Main Street but Chairwoman Drake wasn't sure it was listed in the Table of Uses. Chairwoman Drake suggested separating Special Events from Clubs and Lodges. She also stated she didn't believe there was any need for Special Use for Clubs and Lodges except in Traditional Neighborhoods. Mr. Burton asked if Special Events could stay under Clubs and Lodges but it would require a Special Use Permit. She asked Ms. Janssen to see how other areas broke down Special Events and to also see why they might have grouped

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Special Events with Clubs and Lodges. There was also talk about where to include Coffee Shops, Juice Bars, or other shops that aren't considered a restaurant in the Table of Uses. Chairwoman Drake asked Ms. Janssen to research those as well. Ms. Janssen asked if this was just for Main Street or other areas as well. Chairwoman Drake said not necessarily but stated since there have been different requests of uses that we aren't allowing on Main Street to see if it is just us or other towns as well.

There were various conversations concerning the Boll Weevil Festival and the ABC Store moving to Town Hall. Chairwoman Drake asked if there was any other business. Mr. Johnson made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Helms seconded, and it was approved unanimously.