

Town of Minturn

Planning Commission Agenda

December 9, 2009

Regular Session - 7:00 p.m.
St. Patrick's Parish – 476 Pine Street

Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Chairman Stuart Brummett. All members were present including Vice Chair Lynn Teach, Michael Gallagher, Tim Osborne and Lael Engstrom.

Staff present included Chris Cerimele, planner and Town Administrator, Jim White.

Approval of Agenda Items

M. Gallagher made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. It was seconded by L. Teach. The motion passed 5-0

Approval of Minutes – Minutes from November 3, 2009

M. Gallagher made a motion to table the 11.3.09 minutes. It was seconded by T. Osborne. The motion passed 5-0

Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

Action Items:

None

Discussion Items

Land Use Code Revisions (Minturn Municipal Code Chapter 16)

Chris Cerimele went through a list of issues with Chapter 16 of the Minturn Municipal Code that he had compiled from the previous 2 years. A discussion ensued regarding the definitions sections of the code. Chris pointed out that many of the definitions that appear in that section are not found elsewhere in the code. He stated that he would eliminate these instances and add definitions for undefined terms for the next revision.

A discussion ensued regarding the use tables section of the code. Chris pointed out that not all of the current businesses operating in town are covered under the current use tables. He suggested taking an inventory of the existing businesses and making sure these are covered in future code revisions. Conversely, he suggested simplifying the tables by making the categories more general.

The discussion then focused on having different lot sizes in Town. The idea behind this was that smaller lot sizes could lead to smaller and more affordable homes.

Prior to the next Planning Commission meeting on January 13, 2010, each commissioner was assigned to pick out examples of development in town that they like and dislike. The findings of the Commissioners would be presented at the next meeting in January. These findings would be used as a basis for develop new lot standards and zoning requirements.

Planning Department Update

Commissioner Comments

S. Brummet reminded the commissioners about the upcoming Town Council meeting and encouraged everyone to attend to show support for the 2009 Minturn Community Plan.

Adjournment

L. Engstrom made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35. The motion was seconded by L. Teach. The motion passed 5-0