

**Town of Eatonville
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, June 2nd, 2014
COMMUNITY CENTER
305 CENTER STREET WEST**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lambert called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Lambert, Commissioners Beach, Bertoia, Craig, Miller and Justice were present.

STAFF PRESENT: Mayor Schaub, Kathy Linnemeyer and Doug Beagle.

OPENING CEREMONIES – Commissioner Bertoia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Beach motion to approve the agenda. **Commissioner Bertoia** seconded. All in favor. (AIF)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the May 5th, 2014. **Commissioner Beach** motion to approve with corrections. **Commissioner Craig** seconded. AIF

COMMUNICATIONS OR ANNOUCEMENTS

CITIZENS – None

COMMISSIONERS – None

PUBLIC HEARING – Eatonville School District Rezone – Parcels 3605000390; 0400 and 0410.

Chairman Lambert opened the public hearing.

Town Administrator, Doug Beagle gave a brief summary of the request for a rezone by the Eatonville School District. Through the direction of the town the school had applied for a rezone. He explained that after further review by the planning consultant (Larson & Associates) and the attorney, the school district will need to apply for a Conditional Use Permit. He explained that this will be a better tool for the town and the school district to be able to utilize these parcels. The town has been in communication with the school regarding the Conditional Use Permit. The public hearing for the Conditional Use Permit will be heard on July 7th, 2014. The public hearing for the Conditional Use Permit will be re-advertised and notices will be re-mailed to surrounding property owners.

Carol Resnick, 201 Orchard Ave N., asked that a definition of a “Conditional Use” and how it will affect the neighborhood be sent with the notice of public hearing.

Lynn Butler, property owner in the area. She asked if the School District is at liberty to state how the property will be used.

Kristin Bahr, ESD Superintendent explained that the plan is to renovate and remodel the church building. They will move the District Offices to this site when complete. The current existing District Office will be demolished and the property used for additional parking. The property to the south of the church located on Rainier Ave S would be demolished also and this area will be landscaped.

Chairman Lambert closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Beach asked Mr. Beagle to explain to the audience what a Conditional Use Permit is.

Mr. Beagle explained that he did not have the EMC in front of him and would refer to the code.

Chairman Lambert explained that Ms. Resnick asked that a definition and explanation be included with the mailing.

Old Business: Review of EMC 18.06 Sign Code

Mr. Beagle explained that in the staff report, the Eatonville School District has requested to install a reader board at Nevitt Point Park. The code has a discrepancy as to the size allowed. Off-site signage is addressed as to businesses but does not talk about off-site signage on town property and/ or a variance. The school is requesting to put this sign on town property. It is the desire of the school district to communicate to our citizens the happenings within our school district on one of the busiest streets in town. They want to match the “Welcome to Eatonville” type of sign with the cobblestone type of architecture. This sign was talked about between the school district and Mr. Beagle. There is no

code for a sign on town property and with no variance process in the sign code; it is problematic as it related to town property.

Commissioner Craig asked if the location was chosen because it was right under a light pole.

Mr. Beagle said that the location was chosen because of sight distance whether you are heading north or south on SR 161. The town is willing to relocate the light pole based on that being the ideal spot for sight distance. The light pole will be relocated closer to the parking area.

Commissioner Beach asked if there was any consideration to using the same format as the other directional sign. Will they retain the current reader board that is located at the high school?

Mr. Beagle said that the consideration was given but this is the proposal that came back. Yes the other reader board will remain in place.

Commissioner Craig asked if the reader board sign would post community events also.

Mr. Beagle – Yes.

Commissioner Beach asked if Mr. Beagle was asking if they should propose a variance.

Mr. Beagle said he figured that it would be their next course of action.

Commissioner Beach made motion to have the Town Administrator, Doug Beagle bring the proposed draft variance language for the sign ordinance to the next meeting.

Commissioner Craig seconded the motion. AIF

Commissioner Miller asked Mr. Beagle to stake the exact location the sign is going to be placed?

Chairman Lambert asked if they knew what the exact height of the current reader board?

Commissioner Craig asked where special services will be located.

Kristin Bahr said it will be in the same location as district office. She thanked the commission for considering their request.

CITIZENS COMMENTS: None

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Beach reminded Mr. Beagle that the Planning Commission asked that the town attorney review changes and additions to the Sign Ordinance and brings the draft to the Planning Commission for final review. He asked when they would be able to review the final ordinance.

Mr. Beagle – stated next meeting.

Commissioner Beach asked when minor and major amendments in the code will be updated for major amendments.

Mr. Beagle said the attorney was half way through the process of reviewing the information.

The next meeting is set for June 16th, 2014. Public Hearing

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Commissioner Beach** to adjourn. **Commissioner Justice** seconded. AIF

Chairman Lambert adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m. AIF

Chairman Lambert

Judy Justice –Co-Chairperson

ATTEST:

Kathy Linnemeyer, Recording Secretary