

Burnsville Planning Board
Special Meeting
Monday, January 28, 2013

The Burnsville Planning Board, with members Chuck Aldridge, Randy Banks, Dean Gates, Jana Bartleson and Harrison Tyner present held a special meeting on Monday, January 28, 2013, in the Town Hall. Also in attendance were town staff members Anthony Hensley, Kim Johnson, Jeanne Martin, and Ronnie Tipton; Town Council members Ron Powell, Bill Wheeler, and Judy Buchanan; and several visitors, including Ron Hancock, Eric Woolridge, Ellen Denker, Ginger Johnson, Wanda Proffitt, and two grad students. Chairman Dean Gates, who presided, called the meeting to order, stating that the purpose of the meeting was to consider regular business.

- Approval of Minutes – Minutes from the Regular Planning Board meeting held January 7, 2013 were available. Randy Banks made motion to approve minutes, Chuck Aldridge seconded and all approved.
- Public Comment – There were no public comments.
- Reports – Ronnie Tipton reported he contacted American Legal about the sign ordinance and was told we should not codify any ordinance that has not passed the Town Councils approval. When he contacted the League he was referred to Patsy Bryson, a 28 year senior attorney at Roberts and Stevens in Asheville. She has dealt with zoning and land use issues and hopes to get back with Ronnie before the Town Council meeting in February.
- Old Business – Ronnie Tipton presented the board with copies of the pedestrian plan, sidewalk plans, etc. that he was able to find. The land development and pedestrian plan were from McGill Associates from 2007 and the walking suitability study done by Healthy Yancey in April 2003. Wanda Proffitt added that High Country is working on a corridor management study on US Hwy. 19 and Hwy 80 (along Scenic Byway in Yancey County). She will check on status of this study.
- New Business
 - ✓ Dean introduced Kirsten and Gwen. They are grad students at Chapel Hill in City Planning, Community Development and Transportation. They will be working thru spring with Burnsville on one or two projects and their implementation.
 - ✓ Eric Woolridge presented the board with proposed survey handouts. There was discussion on the best way to present the survey to the community. Once survey is

ready, we will advertise through the Chamber, TRAC, town website, and WKYK. A public meeting is planned for late April.

- ✓ Ron Hancock talked about standards, height, mass, architectural elements and materials. He asked the board questions and made recommendations. Will have draft ready for February meeting. Town Council will still need to decide the review process. Dean will ask Council who is to be the design review board.

- Next Planning Meetings- The next meeting of the Planning Board will be held on Monday, February 25, 2013. Then will try to have 2 meetings in March. Being no further business Dean Gates made the motion to adjourn, Chuck Aldridge seconded, meeting adjourned.

Recorded by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Johnson". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Kim Johnson
Assistant to Public Works Director