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**Town Of Port Deposit
Planning & Zoning Meeting
June 10, 2010
Minutes**

The Planning and Zoning meeting was held on June 10, 2010. Chairwoman Laura Luongo called the meeting to order at 7:45 P.M.

ATTENDANCE Chairwoman, Laura Luongo, Henry Burden, Town Planner, Kevin Morton, Council Liaison, Richard Watters, Arthur Hersh and Office Liaison, Janine Antoshak

ABSENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from meetings January 14, 2010, March 11, 2010, April 8, 2010 and May 13, 2010 were motioned to be approved as written by Laura Luongo and seconded by Arthur Hersh

NEW BUSINESS

Review zoning for outdoor seating at the Hidden Bean, 8 South Main Street. Kevin Morton excused himself from discussion and voting on this issue as he is the owner of the business. He would be available to answer questions only.

Laura stated that she and Henry had a discussion concerning this matter and determined that there is nothing in the Ordinances to prevent a business from putting chairs and tables out as long as they remain on their property. Arthur motioned to approve and Richard seconded it, all were in favor.

Kevin stated that as Liaison from Council, he will be bringing to Henry some ordinances that need to be reviewed there are some existing ordinances that contradict each other or are not "spelled out". Laura suggested that she thought that had just been done but Henry and Kevin replied that it hadn't what had come up before was other zoning ordinances. Kevin said he defiantly wanted to go over the parking ordinances. Since the Town has acquired more parking lots there is only one private lot that is available to be leased and he feels that is not right. He is not sure of what changes need to be made but thinks that it needs to be re-visited and discussed "to make the ordinances fit the Town."

Laura suggested that everyone peruse the ordinances and look at what they think needs to be changed and it can be discussed in the next work session. Kevin suggested that they also look at the grandfather clause and also look at the makeup of the commission. Kevin and Laura also discussed how to increase membership on P & Z. Kevin suggested making a flyer and distributing it to residents by handing it out and putting it in their mailboxes. Laura stated that it is against a federal law to put things in a mailbox. Kevin stated that he just wanted to think of ways to increase membership.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION made by Arthur Hersh and seconded by Kevin Morton
Meeting adjourned at 7:56.

*Respectfully Submitted by Janine Antoshak
Office Liaison to the Planning & Zoning Commission*

