



**Town of Port Deposit
Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
Conference/Video Meeting
May 28, 2020**

Town Hall is closed and this meeting was held via videoconferencing and by audio. The public was invited to call into the meeting via videoconferencing or audio by phone.

Chairman Heck called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Heck, Vice Chair Davidson, Commissioner Komisar, Council Liaison Brown, Councilman Knight, Town Administrator Rinkerman, and Jack Gullo - Esquire.

ABSENT: Commissioner Shuman and Commissioner Luongo

MINUTES - Minutes from the April 23, 2020 Meeting were presented.

Motion was made by Chairman Heck to approve the minutes from the March 26, 2020 Meeting. Seconded by Vice Chair Davidson. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 05-2020 – ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT

Text amendments to Article X, Section 175 Table of Permissible Uses, Section 181 Group Home, Halfway House, Assisted Living Facilities, Section 198 Adult Oriented Commercial Enterprises, Massage Parlors, Etc., and Section 205 Swimming Pools, Community.

Introduction of Resolution – The board discussed the zoning code text amendments that have in discussion at previous meetings. The discussion provided clarification on amendments including daycares and massage parlors.

Public Comment – None

Discussion and Consideration by Planning Commission - Motion was made by Vice Chair Davidson to recommend Resolution 05-2020 – Zoning Code Amendments to Town Council for consideration and approval. Seconded by Commissioner Komisar. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 06-2020 – ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT

Text amendment to Article XV Signs, Section 264 Permitted Signs.

Introduction of Resolution – Esquire Jack Gullo provided details on the proposed text amendments in Resolution 06-2020 regarding permitted signs and the Planning Commission's role.

Public Comment – Tom Knight mentioned that billboards are not permitted as part of the scenic byway.

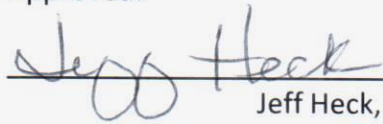
Discussion and Consideration by Planning Commission - Motion was made by Chair Heck to recommend Resolution 05-2020 – Zoning Code Amendments to Town Council for consideration and approval. Seconded by Vice Chair Davidson. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ON ZONING CODE FOR RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Councilman Knight presented the desire to permit private land owners to host recreational short-term camping on large parcels/farms. He mentioned 3rd party booking services such as Harvest Hosts and HIPCAMP which are networks who hold both the host and the camper(s) to certain standards and would help to regulate controls. The board discussed potential zoning code amendments permitting short-term camping on large parcels/farms with conditions to be considered.

Chairman Heck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. The Planning Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. The meeting was recorded and audio is available upon request.

Approved:



Jeff Heck, Chair