



Town of Mount Pleasant

Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment Agenda

Mount Pleasant Town Hall

8590 Park Drive

Monday December 10, 2012 - 7:00pm

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Recognition of Quorum**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Approval of Minutes**
5. **Planning Board Cases**
None
6. **Board of Adjustment Cases**
None
7. **Other Business.**
 - (a) **OI Zoning Map Amendment Neighborhood Meeting Discussion**
Presentation of the results of the neighborhood meeting for the proposed zoning map amendment.
 - (a) **CONNECT Project Discussion**
Discussion of list of individuals to invite to a CONNECT forum in Mount Pleasant on January 24th.
 - (c) **Staff Report**
Presentation of Planning Staff activities for the Month of November.
 - (d) **2013 Meeting Schedule**
Presentation of 2013 meeting schedule approved by the Board of Commissioners.
8. **Adjourn**

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**Town of Mt. Pleasant
Planning and Zoning Meeting
December 10, 2012
7:00 PM**

Members Present: John Murdock, Whit Moose, Jr., Shirley Freeman,
Mike Steiner

Members Absent: Margaret Strickland

Staff Present: Vagn Hansen of Benchmark

Call to Order: Chairman John Murdock called the meeting to order.

Recognition of Quorum: Chairman John Murdock stated a quorum was present. Chairman Murdock also stated that Planning Board Member James Senecal submitted his resignation to Mayor Eudy last week.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Board Member White Moose, Jr. to approve the agenda as presented. Board Member Shirley Freeman seconded the motion, with all board members in favor 4-0.

Approval of Minutes: Chairman John Murdock asked if there were any changes to be made to the minutes from the November 12, 2012 minutes.

A motion was made by Board Member Whit Moose, Jr. to approve the minutes. Board Member Mike Steiner seconded the motion, with all board members in favor 4-0.

New Business:

A. OI Zoning Map Amendment Neighborhood Meeting Report

Town Planner, Vagn Hansen, gave the Planning Board a summary of the neighborhood meeting that was held at 6:00 p.m., prior to the Planning Board meeting. Mr. Hansen informed the Board that meeting notices were sent to all property owners within the proposed zoning map amendment area, as well as to all property owners who adjoin the area proposed for rezoning. Several phone calls were received from interested property owners, and Mayor Eudy spoke with several property owners in person in the weeks prior to the neighborhood meeting.

Mr. Hansen stated that the meeting began at 6:00 p.m. with only one set of property owners in attendance (the Cline family who own property along Main Street and Walnut Street that adjoins the Town Hall campus). Mr. Hansen stated that he discussed the proposed rezoning with the property owners in attendance, and that questions included potential effects on future development in the area, tax values and the reason for initiating the rezoning.

Mr. Hansen stated that the newspaper advertisement for the January 14 public hearing was being prepared, and that official notices would be mailed and signs placed in the area during the week of December 28 in order to comply with statutory requirements.

B. CONNECT Project Discussion

Mr. Hansen discussed preparations for a CONNECT forum that is scheduled to be held in Mount Pleasant in Late January. Mr. Hansen said that he was still working on securing meeting space at the Lions Club. The potential list of invitees was discussed with the Planning Board, who made additional suggestions for individuals to invite. Mr. Hansen stated that invitations would be delivered the week after the New Year's Day holiday.

C. Staff Report

Vagn Hansen presented the Planning Staff Report for the month of November. Mr. Hansen's report included:

- 1. WSACC Project:** Staff has been working with the consultants to verify infrastructure and land use data to aid in the development of future build-out scenarios for the local area. An initial assessment of developable vacant and underutilized land throughout the County has been prepared and commented on. Model development is now underway.
- 2. NC 49 Project:** NCDOT recently shifted traffic to the new travel lanes between Empire Drive and Walker Road to begin the process of reconstructing what will become the future southbound lanes of the widened highway. The new section of Duchess Drive has been constructed, but is not open to traffic yet, and work has begun on the installation of temporary traffic signals at the intersection of NC 73 and the NC 49 northbound ramps.
- 3. Carolina Thread Trail:** Travis Morehead with the Carolina Thread Trail made a presentation on the Buffalo Creek Preserve Thread Trail project and made a funding request to the Town Board for assistance in developing a parking area at the trailhead near the intersection of Mount Pleasant Road South and Malibu Road. The Town Board will be considering this request in the coming months. A map of the project will be provided at the meeting.

4. **CONNECT Project:** Staff has been working to secure meeting space for the proposed CONNECT forum and has been working to develop a list of potential attendees to invite to the meeting. This is tentatively scheduled for January 24th.
5. **Code Enforcement Cases:**
 - a. **8400 East Franklin Street – Improper disposal of tires.** This case was resolved, but has been reoccurring frequently. Staff is working with the business owner to find a permanent solution to this matter.

D. 2013 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Hansen presented the Planning Board meeting schedule that was adopted by the Mount Pleasant Board of Commissioners at their meeting on November 5th. A question arose about Veterans Day falling on the November 2013 meeting date. Mr. Hansen agreed to bring the issue to the Town Board for adjustment to the schedule.

Adjournment:

With no other business to come before the Planning Board, Chairman John Murdock entertained a motion to adjourn.

Board member Mike Steiner made a motion to adjourn. Board member Shirley Freeman seconded the motion with all board members in favor 4-0.

Chairman John Murdock III


Clerk to Board Joy Eudy

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