

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING
COMMISSION TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2023**

PRESENT: Chairman David Parmelee, Vice Chairman Rick Byrd, Doug Moore, Steve Jamison, Scott Shippey, Riccardo Aiello, and Mayor and Council Liaison Eric Kitchen

Staff Member: Reiley Stanley, Town Planner

Citizens: David Bell, David Douglas, and Anita Swigert

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Chairman Parmelee declared the Regular meeting minutes of the March 1, 2023, meeting approved.

OLD BUSINESS

50 St Paul Street

Town Planner Reiley Stanley gave a presentation on the 50 St Paul Street Subdivision. The Commission had no questions and opened the floor to public comment.

Anita Swigert expressed that she was extremely unhappy with this project and did not understand why the neighbors' feelings were not being taken into consideration. Chairman Parmelee explained that the code they follow is black and white and this plan meets all the intentions laid out in the code for approval.

Mr. Bell stated that he is still concerned that the home renovations have yet to be completed and this was started in 2020. Chairman Parmelee reassured Mr. Bell that the Town has nothing to do with building permit inspections.

The Commission unanimously approved the 50 St Paul Street Subdivision Plat.

NEW BUSINESS

Vacant Seat Beginning in May

The Planning Commission has a vacant seat beginning in May with the departure of Doug Moore. There are two applicants for one position.

Carmella Smith

The Commission interviewed Ms. Smith for Commissioner Moore's position and learned that she is a real estate agent with experience on the Planning Commission of Brunswick, Maryland when she lived there as an alternate.

Travis Riner

The Commission interviewed Mr. Riner for Commissioner Moore's position and learned that he is heavily involved with opening new Marriott Hotels around the County.

PLANNING & ZONING UPDATES

Discussion about the possibility of an additional seat being open on the Planning Commission happened. One Commissioner is not able to meet the minimum required meetings and Chairman Parmelee stated that he will check in with them if that is the case bringing both Ms. Smith and Mr. Riner on the Commission is best case scenario. Town Planner Stanley would bring whichever decision to the Mayor and Council for a vote.

Town Planner Stanley updated the board on the Easterday bond. She explained that the Town has begun the process to pull the bond so the work can be done. She explained this does not necessarily mean that the Town would see the money, but this could mean the bonding company will hire out a contractor to finish up the work.

Town Planner Stanley updated that there was no new news on the road realignment.

The Commission thanked Commissioner Moore for his service.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS
COMMISSION MEMBER COMMENT

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Parmelee declared the meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Reiley Stanley Town Planner