

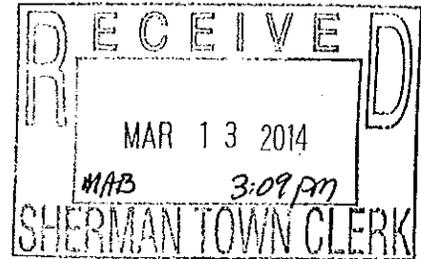


TOWN OF SHERMAN
Planning & Zoning Commission
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

February 20, 2014

7:00 pm

Mallory Town Hall



FINAL

Commissioners in Attendance: Jeannene Burruano, Neil Volkmar, John Paul Voorhees, Mary Lee, Marc Sichel, and Alternates: Jill Finch and Willy Knaak

Commissioners Absent: Ted Hollander and Alternate Marian Edmond

Also in attendance: Ron Cooper, Zoning Enforcement Officer and Christine Branson, P&Z Administrative Clerk

FY 2014-15 Budget – Discussion and possible action

The Commission discussed recommended increases within the Budget. The recommendations were to raise the Legal line, which is for newspaper warnings an additional \$300.00. The rationale behind the increase is due to the Regulations review process, there will be an increased number of Legal warnings in the paper. The Educational line was increased. The rationale being; there are three new Commission members who would greatly benefit by attending an educational seminar for training. The Supplies line due to the need for an additional three drawer lateral file cabinet. The Zoning office has an ever increasing amount of files that have traditionally been stored in cardboard boxes which are potentially a safety problem. There is room for another cabinet and it would facilitate the proper preservation and organization of these files. Additionally discussed were the Fees to the State line. The State receives a portion of every application fee we collect. As the economy trends, traditionally there is an increase of new homes and improvements. The State Fees line was increased by \$2,000.00 in preparation of an increased number of applications. The Commission agreed all of the proposed increases seemed reasonable and justified for the proposed budget FY 2014-15.

Commissioner N. Volkmar Moved to Approve the Planning and Zoning Commission FY 2014- 2015 Proposed Budget as presented.

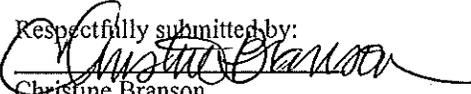
Seconded by: Commissioner M. Lee Vote: For: Unanimous

Regulation Review-

The Commission discussed the various Regulations which they have considered for review. There was considerable discussion regarding the difference between Senior Housing, Senior Affordable Housing, and Affordable Housing. It was determined the Commission would need to clarify these differences with the Land Use Attys. before considering writing a regulation for any or all of these aspects of housing. The list of regulations the Commission will consider this year include: Senior Housing, Senior Affordable Housing, Affordable Housing, Accessory Structures, Accessory dwellings, the 440 line, maximum building height, ridgeline protection, family compounds, stonewall preservation, temporary structures, contiguous road frontage, generators and a revised fee schedule.

Commissioner N. Volkmar Adjourned the Meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:


Christine Branson

February 27, 2014

APPROVED AS WRITTEN AT MARCH 6, 2014, RMM