

**BOROUGH OF CARROLL VALLEY
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2015 – 7:00 P.M.
BOROUGH OFFICE**

MINUTES

Chairman Ed Kaplan called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The attendance was as follows:

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS

BOROUGH OFFICIALS, ETC.

Present

Robert Verderaime
Ed Kaplan, Chair
Ron Harris, Mayor
John Schubring
Robert Tyler Pyles

Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary
David E. Baker, Zoning Officer
Richard L. Hileman, Police Chief

Absent

David Lillard
Dan Patton
Mary Davidson
Lisa McLeod-Simmons

CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2, 2015 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

*** R. Harris moved, R. Verderaime seconded, that the Commission accept the minutes of the Planning Commission Meeting of February 2, 2015 as submitted. Motion passed with Schubring abstaining.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No One Addressed The Commission at this Time:

OLD BUSINESS

Comprehensive Ordinance Review.

Chapter 2: Animals: Mr. Kaplan welcomed Chief Hileman to the meeting and thanked him for his time and expertise in help for this section of the review process. He introduced the subject and asked that members present their comments. Mr. Verderaime and Mayor Harris provided handouts for discussion. During said discussion, Chief Hileman cautioned that simplification and broadening definitions can change the intent of an ordinance and should; therefore, be done with care and consideration given to all implications of that change including but not limited to the scope of an individual ordinance, intent of the ordinance and most importantly the enforceability of the ordinance. After lengthy discussion the following changes were recommended by consensus:

- §2-101 change the definition of “Owner” to include: Any person, firm, corporation or other entity having a right of ...
- §2-107 strike out “~~to public health and welfare may be killed by the police or dog warden~~”
- §2-202 modify the language to be consistent with new definition of “Owner”

Mr. Kaplan thanked Members for their work and the group agreed by consensus to explore Chapter 10: Health and Safety at the next meeting.

Working Group: Home Office/Home-Based Businesses.

Mr. Kaplan reported that the group’s three members are Lisa McLeod-Simmons, Kathy McCabe and himself. They have met and are requesting a list of businesses permitted in the Borough. Following their next meeting a report will be shared.

NEW BUSINESS

Municipal Building Project Letters of Support. Mr. Kaplan explained that Borough Consultant, Amy Kauffman, has requested a letter of support from the Planning Commission for the grant request of the Borough Council for the proposed Municipal Building Project. A draft letter was circulated and following minor changes approved by consensus.

ADJOURNMENT

*** R. Verderaime moved; J. Schubring seconded that the meeting adjourn at 9:45 PM. Motion passed unanimously.

Gayle R. Marthers, Borough Secretary