

# PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Type:	Regular Meeting
Date:	Tuesday, May 15, 2018
Time:	6:30 p.m.
Place:	Municipal Building Community Room
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## MEETING MINUTES

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### 2. ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Julie Rutz, Vice-Chair; John Lindsay; Zachary Chilcote

Members Absent: Lori Donna, Chair; Tony Micklus, Clerk Staff Present: Victor Sinadinoski, Planning Director

Public Present: David Ross

#### 3. AGENDA REVIEW

None.

#### 4. PUBLIC FORUM

Ross is considering becoming a member of the Planning Commission.

#### 5. STAFF UPDATES

Sinadinoski shared that Timber & Stone believes that constructing the multi-use trail can start soon. Sinadinoski said that the parking lot expansion is not guaranteed due to cost and need. Sinadinoski said that there will be a DRB meeting next Thursday. Sinadinoski reported that the judge ordered mediation on the Jenkins Sandpit issue. Sinadinoski said that a tree ordinance and tree warden will be requested in the near future.

#### 6. BUSINESS

### A. 2020 Town Plan

Sinadinoski shared results from survey #6, which received 57 responses. Sinadinoski shared that when Milton residents were asked if they would locate a business in Milton, there was a large variety in answers including a desire for a larger downtown area and a greater nightlife presence. Sinadinoski shared that these factors, as well as the lack of walkable areas, were deterring people from wanting to start a business in Milton. Sinadinoski suggested that the website work harder to promote local businesses to the public. Sinadinoski said that when residents were asked what incentives could be brought to Milton businesses, a lot of people said that tax breaks and shuttle services could be beneficial. Sinadinoski shared that the people of Milton think that there should be more entertainment, dining establishments, and clothing stores. Sinadinoski reported that respondents were split when asked if Milton can become a tourist destination or if it should become a tourist destination. Sinadinoski shared that half of the people surveyed thought that industrial growth and sense-of-place were equally important. Sinadinoski said the residents thought the EDC should help to create more destination areas and assist businesses with opening paperwork. Sinadinoski reported that nearly 62% of those surveyed

thought stricter landscaping requirements would help economic development. Sinadinoski said that 69% of people surveyed thought design standards would help economic development.

Chilcote believes that more recreational and family-based activities should be considered to help economic development.

Lindsay said that starting with recreation, restaurant, and entertainment infrastructure will attract more people the center of town. Lindsay believes that this concentration will lead to more stores that will help Milton grow and allow for more jobs.

Chilcote suggested that there be more places for the public to sit to encourage foot traffic.

Sinadinoski said that there is a goal to develop a town green area. Sinadinoski noted that he has updated the population projections and racial demographics, as per request of a previous survey. Sinadinoski shared that Milton needs more events to include and involve residents. Sinadinoski shared that the people of Milton, based on surveys, want a larger downtown, better nightlife, more entertainment, and more walkable paths to encourage productivity and growth in the town.

## B. UDR PC Hearing - Tuesday, June 5th

Sinadinoski made edits including punctuation and now the information is up to date.

## 7. MINUTES

Lindsay MOVED to APPROVE the minutes of May 1, 2018 as submitted. SECOND by Chilcote. The Planning Commission APPROVED, 3-0.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be on June 5, 2018 at 6:00 p.m	
Chilcote MOVED to ADJOURN the meeting. SECONI	D by Lindsay. Motion APPROVED, 3-0.
Minutes a pproved by the Commission this	day of, 201 8.
Lori Donna , Chair	/tc
Draft filed with the Town Clerk this da	y of, 2018.

Filed with the Town Clerk this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201 8.