



Planning Commission
4:30pm, Wednesday, February 12, 2020
City Hall Conference Rom
1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, SC

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Present: Lisa Safford, Ron Denton, William Mills, Vince DiGangi, Rick Ferencz, and Douglas Kerr, Director of Planning

2. Citizen's Comments – none

3. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes – January 8, 2020

Mr. Mills made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting, and Mr. Denton seconded the motion. The minutes passed unanimously.

4. Report of meeting between City Personnel Committee Chair Council Member John Moye and Rick Ferencz, 3pm, 1/31/2020 at 4 Seahorse Court

Mr. Ferencz reported that he and Council Member Moye discussed the needs of the Planning Commission with regards to the vacancy. He told Council Member Moye that he would like to see a more streamlined process by which the Planning Commission receives projects from City Council. They also discussed ways in which the Planning Commission could help with the research needed for the pool initiative.

5. New Business

A. Review of Comprehensive Plan

Commissioners decided to privately review the Comprehensive Plan during February and discuss possible changes at the March meeting.

6. Miscellaneous Business

A. Update on drainage planning

Director Kerr said that permits for the larger Phase III drainage project are being worked on and the permits for the small projects are ready for submission. He said the City Council began discussions on how they want to move forward on the drainage issue in its entirety in today's budget workshop. They will continue to discern if they want to continue doing the project in pieces or issue a bond to complete the project all at once.

B. Update on MOU with Water & Sewer Commission

Director Kerr said there is no update on the MOU with the Water & Sewer Commission, but that a Governance Committee has been formed to work more closely with the City moving forward.

He also reported that the recently passed ordinances regarding sewer hookup has had a “very real effect” on house size.

C. Update on short-term rental recommendations

Director Kerr reported that he gave a presentation to City Council last month on the recommendations of the Planning Commission regarding short-term rentals on the island. He said there will be a First Reading of the new ordinance at February’s meeting, followed by a Public Hearing in March, and then the Second Reading at the March City Council meeting.

He also shared the short-term rental software should be fully operational soon.

5. Adjournment

Ms. Safford made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. DiGangi seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:41pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole DeNeane
City Clerk