

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE
HATTIESBURG PLANNING COMMISSION**

June 15, 2016

The Hattiesburg Planning Commission did meet in a Special Called session on June 15, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at the Jackie Dole Community Center, 220 West Front Street, Hattiesburg, Mississippi due to lack of a quorum at the regularly scheduled session on June 1, 2015. Joseph White, Chairman, presided over the meeting. A quorum was indicated and the attendance was as follows:

Commissioners Present: Dick Conville
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller
Joseph White, Chairman
Jessie Wilson

Commissioners Absent: Judy Corts
Eric Martin
Linda McMurtrey, Vice-Chairman
Sandra Thompson

Also Present: Pattie Brantley, AICP, Director of Urban Development
Ginger Maddox, Planning Division Manager
Jeremy McNeil, Planner
Steve Mitchell, Building Official
Melinda Green, Administrative Assistant, Department of Urban Development

Chairman White declared the meeting of the Hattiesburg Planning Commission open and in session at 1:03 P.M.

INVOCATION

Commissioner Conville asked for a moment of silence for the victims of the shooting in Orlando, Florida, the LGBTQ Community, and for members of the Muslim community.

AGENDA REVIEW

There came the matter of the June 2016 Agenda. A request was made by Chairman White for a motion to approve the June 2016 Agenda. A motion was made to approve by Commissioner Conville and seconded by Commissioner Miller.

Commissioners voting aye: Dick Conville
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller
Jessie Wilson

Commissioners voting nay: None

MINUTES REVIEW

There came the matter of the May 12, 2016 Minutes. A request was made by Chairman White for a motion to Approve the May 12, 2016 Minutes. A motion was made by Commissioner Horton to approve the minutes and seconded by Commissioner Wilson.

Commissioners voting aye: Dick Conville
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller
Jessie Wilson

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners abstaining: None

REPORTS

BUILDING REPORT

There came the matter of the Building Inspection Report provided to the commission of monthly and YTD Permit information for May by Steve Mitchell, Building Official.

PLANNING REPORT

There came the matter of the Planning Report. Ginger Maddox, Planning Division Manager, informed the Commission of the City Council approval of the one item heard at the previous Planning Commission: Kerri Mauldin, Use Permit Upon Review, PPIN 5324.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

There came the matter of the Chairman’s Report. There was none.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing open at 1:08 P.M. and read the rules and procedures of the hearing.

There came the matter of Item A (Use Permit Upon Review), by Kimble Allen, Representative, New Covenant Baptist Church, Owner, as required in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 2330, as amended, to request a Use Permit Upon Review for a “Church” as provided in Article 4, Section 52.03 (10) for certain property located at 34 Golf Course Road (Parcel 2-0250-36-006.1, PPIN 45226, Ward 1).

	Name	Address	City/State
<u>Presented by:</u>	Kimble Allen	113 Tanglewood Dr.	Hattiesburg, MS
	-	Representative, Senior Pastor, New Covenant Baptist Church	

Proponents: HC Johnson 297 Mary Magdalene Rd. Hattiesburg, MS

Opponents: None

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing closed and the Business Meeting open to vote on the request. Commissioner McCleskey made a motion to approve the application for a use permit upon review because there is need to reinforce Hattiesburg’s quality of life, preserve neighborhood identity, and boost community pride. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Horton.

Commissioners voting aye: Dick Conville
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller
Jessie Wilson

Commissioners voting nay: None

There came the matter of Item B (Variance), Regina Lee, Owner, as required in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 2330, as amended, to request a variance from Article 5, Section 84.01 (2) which states fences which allow for visibility in residential districts may be four (4) feet high in the front of the front building line and instead allow a total of six (6) feet for a variance of two (2) feet for certain property located at 79 J Ed Turner Drive (Parcel 052A-03-004.049, PPIN 36034, Ward 1).

	Name	Address	City/State
<u>Presented by:</u>	Marcell Lee - Owner	114 Meadowbrook Drive	Hattiesburg, MS

Proponents: None

Opponents: None

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing closed and the Business Meeting open to vote on the request. Commissioner Miller made a motion to deny the application for a variance because special conditions and circumstances do not exist which are peculiar to the land structure, or building involved and which are not applicable to other lands, structures, or buildings in the same district. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conville.

Commissioners voting aye: Dick Conville
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners voting abstaining: Jessie Wilson

There came the matter of Item C (Use Permit Upon Review) filed by Darlene Thomas, Image Signs & Neon Inc., Representative, on behalf of Chad Smith, Owner, Smith Brothers Collision Center as required in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 2330, as amended, to request a variance from Article 4, Section 95.10.2 (A)(a) which states only one (1) free standing sign per lot when the lot street frontage is less than five hundred (500) feet and instead allow two (2) free-standing signs per lot with a lot street frontage of three hundred four (304) feet for a variance of one (1) free standing sign for certain property located at 32 King Road (Parcel 052N-09-021.000, PPIN 26693, Ward 3).

Due to the absence of the applicant the item was tabled.

There came the matter of Item D (Street Closing), filed by Austin Lovitt, Neel-Schaffer, Representative, on behalf of Hattiesburg Public Schools, as required in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 2330, as amended, to close but not vacate a portion of the street known as Davis Street.

	Name	Address	City/State
<u>Presented by:</u>	Austin Lovitt	89 Waverly Circle	Hattiesburg, MS
	- Representative, Neel-Schaffer		
<u>Proponents:</u>	Alan Oubre	301 Mamie Street	Hattiesburg, MS
	- Representative, Hattiesburg Public Schools		
<u>Opponents:</u>	None		

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing closed and the Business Meeting open to vote on the request. Commissioner McCleskey made a motion to approve to close but not vacate a portion of Davis Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Conville.

Commissioners voting aye: Dick Conville
 Peggy Horton, Secretary
 Don McCleskey
 Jessie Wilson

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners voting abstaining: Mark Miller

BUSINESS MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:52 P.M.

Joe White, Chairman

Pattie Brantley, AICP, Director of Urban Development.