

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
HATTIESBURG PLANNING COMMISSION**

May 6, 2015

The Hattiesburg Planning Commission did meet in a regular session on May 6, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. at the Jackie Dole Community Center, 220 West Front Street, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. Joseph White, Chairman, presided over the meeting. A quorum was indicated and the attendance was as follows:

Commissioners Present: Joseph White, Chairman
Linda McMurtrey, Vice-Chairman
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Dick Conville
Judy Corts
Eric Martin
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller
Jessie Wilson

Commissioners Absent: Annie Pope

Also Present: Pattie Brantley, AICP, Director of Urban Development
Michael Maret, Planner
Ginger Maddox, Planning Division Manager

Chairman White declared the meeting of the Hattiesburg Planning Commission open and in session at 1:00 P.M.

INVOCATION

Chairman White gave the invocation.

AGENDA REVIEW

There came the matter of the May 2015 Agenda. A request was made by Chairman White for a motion to Approve the May 2015 Agenda. A motion was made to approve by Commissioner McCleskey and seconded by Commissioner Horton.

Commissioners voting aye: Linda McMurtrey, Vice-Chairman
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Eric Martin
Judy Corts
Jessie Wilson
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners abstaining: None

MINUTES REVIEW

There came the matter of the April 1, 2015 Minutes. A request was made by Chairman White for a motion to Approve the April 2015 Minutes with edits. A motion was made by Commissioner McMurtrey to approve the minutes with edits and seconded by Commissioner

Horton.

Commissioners voting aye: Linda McMurtrey, Vice-Chairman
Peggy Horton, Secretary
Dick Conville
Eric Martin
Judy Corts
Jessie Wilson
Don McCleskey
Mark Miller

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners abstaining: None

REPORTS

ENGINEERING REPORT

There came the matter of the Engineering Report. There was none.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT

There came the matter of the Building Inspection Report. Michael Maret, Planner, provided a report to the commission of monthly and YTD Permit information on behalf of Steve Mitchell, Building Official. The number of demolitions within the City was discussed and attributed to construction on the Hercules Plant.

PLANNING REPORT

There came the matter of the Planning Report. Planning Division Manager, Ginger Maddox, informed the Commission that the previous alley closure petitions on USM had been approved by City Council. The Palmers Crossing Complex rezoning had been appealed to the City Council and would be held on Monday, May 18th. She also introduced the newest member of the Planning Commission, Mark Miller.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

There came the matter of the Chairman's Report. Chairman White welcomed Commissioner Miller, and Commissioner McMurtrey from her absence due to surgery.

PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing open at 1:14 P.M. and read the rules and procedures of the hearing.

There came the matter of Item A (Variance), Jim Smith (Key of Blue, Inc), Owner, with the Mayor and Council of the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as required in the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance No. 2330, as amended, of the City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, is requesting a variance from Article 4, Section 53.04(3) which states that unattached accessory structures may not be located closer than sixty (60) feet to the front lot line, and instead allow a setback of eleven (11) feet, for a setback variance of forty-nine (49) feet. The property is located at 202 Patton

Avenue (Parcel 028P-08-020.00, PPIN 24485, Ward 4) and is zoned R-1B (Single-Family Residential) District.

	Name	Address	City/State
<u>Presented by:</u>	Jim Smith	4308 Manhattan Road	Jackson, MS
<u>Proponents:</u>	None		
<u>Opponents:</u>	Patti Mowery	2324 Adeline Street	Hattiesburg, MS
	- Parkhaven Neighborhood Association, Representative		

Chairman White declared the Public Hearing closed and the Business Meeting open to vote on the request. Commissioner Conville made a motion to deny the variance because granting the variance requested would confer on the applicant a special privilege that is denied by this Code to other lands, structures, or buildings in the same district, based on the Comprehensive Plan. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMurtrey.

Commissioners voting aye: Linda McMurtrey, Vice-Chairman
 Peggy Horton, Secretary
 Dick Conville
 Eric Martin
 Judy Corts
 Jessie Wilson
 Mark Miller

Commissioners voting nay: None

Commissioners abstaining: None

Commissioners recusing: Don McCleskey

BUSINESS MEETING

There came the matter of the business meeting. Ginger Maddox informed the commission that Commissioner Corts had been reappointed to another five (5) year term. It was also announced that Commissioner Pope withdrew from the reappointment process and would no longer be serving as a commissioner.

There being no further business, Commissioner Horton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Martin. The meeting was adjourned at 1:47 P.M.

 Joe White, Chairman

 Pattie Brantley, AICP, Director of Urban Development.