

Indian Head Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
Indian Head Senior Center
September 16, 2014

Rick Allen called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 7:08p.m. Members in attendance:

Rick Allen, Chairman
Warren Bowie
Mary Thompson *Excused*
Wayne Higdon
Michael Pellegrino
Richard Parks, Zoning Administrator
Ryan Hicks, Town Manager *Excused*
Andrea Brady, Clerk

Approval of Meeting Minutes for August 19, 2014 – Rick Allen requested a motion to accept the August 19 minutes as presented. Michael Pellegrino made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Wayne Higdon seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Warren Bowie asked if the memo that was requested by the Commission was given to Mayor and Council in reference to the zoning of Mr. Fernandez's properties. Town Clerk Brady has given the memo to Mayor and Council and it will be discussed at the next work session on September 29.

Zoning Ordinance: Article XI & Zoning Districts Table – 12.000 Service and Enterprises Related to Animals. 12.100 Veterinarian, Veterinary Hospital, no changes. 12.200 Kennel, the Commission discussed the definition of kennel and decided to change Section 1131 to say Kennels and Veterinary Hospitals instead of Animal Boarding Facilities and Veterinary Hospitals. No changes were made to 12.200 on the Official Table of Use Regulations.

13.000 Emergency Services. There is no information provided on emergency services in Article XI Supplementary Use Regulations. The consensus of the Commission was to change 13.100-13.400 to unpermitted in R-1, R-2, and RM. It will remain permitted in TCMX and CG, and will be permitted in Public Institution.

14.000 Agricultural, Silvicultural, Mining, Quarry Operations. Two subsections will be added. 14.100 Urban Chickens and 14.200 Silvicultural, Mining, Quarry Operations. 14.100 will be permitted in R1 and R2 zoning districts. 14.200 will be unpermitted in all zoning districts. A definition of urban chicken will be added to Article II and conditions will be added to Article XI. Some of the conditions discussed for urban chickens included a lot size of 8,000 square feet or larger, maximum 8 hens, no roosters will be permitted, a hen house/chicken coop must be provided, the coop will need to be 15 feet from lot lines, there must be a fence in place to confine the chickens, and the chickens must be registered with the Department of Agriculture. Town Clerk Brady will get further information on chicken regulations from the Maryland Municipal League for the Commissions review.

15.000 Miscellaneous Public and Semi-Public Facilities. 15.100 Post Office, Local add as permitted in Public Institution. 15.200 Transfer Stations and Recycling Centers. The Commission decided to remove transfer stations and keep recycling centers only. Recycling Center will remain a special exception in CG and will be added as a special exception in Public Institution.

Town Updates – The Commission discussed the progress of the Washington Gas Line and the applications at the Town Hall for interested residents.

There being no further comments, Rick Allen adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm.

Submitted by:



Andrea Brady
Town Clerk

10/21/14
Date