

MOUNT JACKSON PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
September 13, 2010

Chairman Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Also attending were: Mrs. Good, Mrs. Fadely and Messrs. Hackenbracht, and Scherer.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

MINUTES – Mr. Hackenbracht MOVED, 2nd by Mrs. Fadely, to APPROVE the minutes of August 2, 2010; PASSED unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Shenandoah County Planning Director Brandon Davis summarized the county's two year project designed to implement the provisions of their comprehensive plan by re-writing the zoning code and related regulations to implement the plan. Some of the highlights are:
 - The county will seek to direct 90% of future growth to the towns and public service areas
 - 7000 undeveloped lots currently exist in the county
 - 35,000 new lots could be developed under current law
 - The county desires coordination of town and county plans
 - Economic incentives to preserve agricultural land should be implemented when money is available for this purpose
 - The county will participate in a regional Agricultural Economic Development Program
 - Conservation Easements will continue to be actively pursued wherever possible.
 - Transfer of Development Rights should also be implemented
 - Clustering of development on larger parcels will be encouraged to preserve larger open space parcels from existing farms

2. Next Planning Commission meeting date – November 1, 7:30 pm

Board of Zoning Appeals – No Actions

Zoning Administrator Report – Accepted as presented.

Council Items: Mr. Hackenbracht summarized the following: Visitor Center Park; Kids Cove

Board Members Items – Certified Planning Commissioner training program: Mr. Scherer is attending next week.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Moore, Secretary