

Town of Oriental Planning Board Meeting
October 27, 2009

The Oriental Planning Board met on Tuesday, October 27, at 7:00 pm at the Oriental Town Hall.

Present were: Board members: Marlowe, Cordes, and Creighton
Recording Secretary Wagoner
Mayor Sage
Commissioner Cox
Long Range Planning member Sage
2 members of the public

MINUTES APPROVAL–

MOTION: Mr. Cordes made a motion to approve the September 29, 2009 minutes with one correction. Second by Mr. Creighton. Vote 3-0. *(Note the correction was not necessary as the date in question was correct.)*

SIGN INVENTORY – Mr. Creighton has agreed to work with Ms. Wagoner on completing the inventory. In updating the sign inventory, Ms. Wagoner noted that previously, the \$25 permit fee covered all signage on the permit and was not meant to be \$25 per sign as it is presently done. To clarify;

MOTION: Mr. Creighton made a motion to clarify that the sign permit fee is \$25/signage application and NOT per sign. Second by Mr. Cordes. Vote 3-0.

POSSIBLE ORDINANCE CHANGES –

1. Damage to town roads – Mr. Marlowe will meet with Mr. Cahoon to see what his intentions are. Mr. Marlowe also suggested they consider imposing a bonding requirement for new construction.
2. Road side in Camp Creek – It appears that the roads and right-of-ways to Camp Creek were accepted without first being inspected. Negotiations are under way to have the developers do a little more landscaping, especially leveling out areas that are too steep for mowers, before the Town continues to maintain them.
3. Debris from new construction – Mr. Cordes raised this issue as he has a neighbor that is renovating his house but leaving the yard trashed in between weekend work sessions. While this is a General Ordinance matter, Mr. Cordes was encouraged to submit a revision to Article G, Section 9. Mr. Marlowe further stated that the Board should look into establishing rules governing interior and exterior renovation jobs.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN – Mr. Marlowe reported that Mr. Barton had resigned from the Board and will not surrender the work he had completed on the plan. Mr. Cordes agreed to meet with him and begin the work again.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD –

1. Commissioner Cox encouraged the Board to review any unfinished projects they may have that could be completed before the new Town Board takes office in December.
2. Mr. Dick Lilley encouraged the Board to consider purchasing the lots across from Lou Mac Park as they would make a fine addition to the town's riverside vista.

3. Ms. Wagoner asked that a new item be added to the agendas called something like “Back Burner Projects” where all project ideas are held for future consideration, such as Mr. Cordes’ Outdoor Lighting Ordinance.
4. Mr. Marlowe reported that other municipalities have renovation building codes (not be confused with ordinances) that outline how to put in sidewalks (including grading requirements), lighting, etc. and asked the Board to give it some thought.

REVIEW OF LAND USE PERMITS ISSUED - None

REVIEW OF SIGN PERMITS ISSUED – None

There being no further business;

MOTION: Mr. Creighton made the motion to adjourn. Second by Mr. Cordes. Vote 3-0.
The meeting ended at 7:40 pm.

William Marlowe, Chairman

Lori Wagoner, Recording Secretary