

PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 30, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Clark called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with Commissioners Guram, Liske, Whaling, Mayor Pro Tem Clark and Mayor Willits in attendance. Commissioners Petrucelli and Landless were absent.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Application for variance to sign regulations for real estate signage; Location: Parkside PUD; Zone: Residential (R); Applicant: Chris Whaling for Marsim Development, LLC

Commissioner Whaling stepped down due to a conflict of interest.

Staff Report dated May 19, 2009 from the Town Planner; Parkside Subdivision Final Plat showing proposed sign location and example of signage.

Representing Marsim Development, LLC, Mr. Ted Loehr stated it is not desirable to post twenty-two individual real estate signs on the subdivision's unsold lots. The application is for two large signs, in conjunction with four typical sized smaller signs that define the property boundaries within the Parkside Subdivision. He requested approval for the signage to remain intact for a period of two years, or until ten lots are sold. The two larger signs will be removed once ten lots have been sold. He noted the subdivision would never have more than the requested number of signs posted at one time.

ACTION:

Commissioner Liske moved to approve the request for variance to the sign regulation for the Parkside PUD for a period of two years, allowing 2 one-side signs and 4 three sq. ft. smaller signs, for a total of six signs. The two larger signs are to be removed once ten lots have sold. It was seconded by Mayor Willits, and unanimously carried.

Commissioner Whaling resumed his seat with the Commission.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2. Minutes from the Regular Meeting of May 26, 2009

ACTION:

Commissioner Guram moved with Mayor Pro Tem John Clark seconding the motion to approve the minutes of May 26, 2008. The motion carried with Mayor Willits abstaining.

3. Updates from the Town Planner

- Town Council approved Phase I of the RiverSage PUD Final Plat on June 10.
- Ouray County Affordable Housing Action Plan is complete. The Plan is available for review on the Ouray County Website.
- The Lighting Committee is developing a Town-wide lighting plan to address standards and specifications for light fixtures in the residential, historical and commercial districts. The Committee plans to add the document to the Master Plan.
- The Telluride Foundation sponsored a study focusing on alternative futures for the Telluride Region. The study indicates significant growth and development for the Ridgway/Ouray areas.

Commissioner Whaling excused himself from the meeting at 6:05p.m.
Mayor Willits excused himself from the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

4. Survey Development Workshop for update to the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Development Plan

Committee Members in attendance: Greg Clifton, Paul Hebert, Karen Christian, John Clark, Jen Coates, Rani Guram and Bill Liske

The Committee reviewed the 1998 survey to use as a basis for the current land use survey. Questions were added, deleted and modified as the Committee came to consensus for each question.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Christian
Deputy Clerk