

**Town of Amherst
Planning Commission Minutes
February 7, 2018**

A meeting of the Town of Amherst Planning Commission was called to order by Chairperson June Driskill in the Council Chambers of the Town Hall at 174 S. Main Street at 7:00 PM on February 7, 2018.

It was noted that a quorum was present as indicated below:

A Kevin Belcher	P William Jones
P June Driskill	P Kenneth Bunch
P Ted Finney	P Clifford Hart
	P Michael Mozingo

Town Manager Sara Carter and Clerk of Council Vicki Hunt, in her capacity as Secretary to the Commission, were present.

The minutes from the January 3, 2018, Commission meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Bunch seconded by Mr. Finney and carried 6-0-1 according to the following:

June Driskill	Aye	Clifford Hart	Aye
Kevin Belcher	Absent	Kenneth Bunch	Aye
Ted Finney	Aye	Mike Mozingo	Aye
William Jones	Aye		

Sign Ordinance

The 2016 Analysis prepared by Signage Foundation, Inc., pertaining to the effects of *Reed v. Town of Gilbert* (576 U.S., June 2015), on sign ordinances and how cities and towns must comply with the Supreme Court ruling was previously distributed to the Commission. Town Manager Sara Carter gave an oral report on a proposed new sign ordinance.

After discussion, on motion by Mr. Hart which was seconded by Mr. Bunch, the Commission approved to hold a public hearing on the proposed new sign ordinance at the Commission's March meeting. The motion carried 6-0-1 according to the following:

June Driskill	Aye	Clifford Hart	Aye
Kevin Belcher	Absent	Kenneth Bunch	Aye
Ted Finney	Aye	Mike Mozingo	Aye
William Jones	Aye		

Amherst County EDA - Business Friendliness Initiative

Town Manager Sara Carter gave an oral report on a study by the Amherst County EDA on efforts to improve the County's business friendliness and possible participation by the Town in the project.

Town Manager Sara Carter was directed to invite Victoria Hanson, Executive Director, Amherst County EDA, to the Commission's next meeting to provide further information on its study on efforts to improve business friendliness in the County.

There being no further business, on motion of Mr. Mozingo seconded by Mr. Finney and carried 6-0-1 the meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.

June Driskill, Chairperson

Attest: _____

FOR APPROVAL