

**Town of Amherst
Planning Commission Minutes
November 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 November 7, 2018.

It was noted that one seat on the Planning Commission is vacant and that a quorum was present as indicated below:

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| P June Driskill | P William Jones |
| P Kevin Belcher | P Kenneth Bunch |
| P Ted Finney | P Clifford Hart |

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

The minutes from the October 3, 2018, Commission meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Belcher, and carried 6-0 according to the following:

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| June Driskill | Aye | Clifford Hart | Aye |
| Kevin Belcher | Aye | Kenneth Bunch | Aye |
| Ted Finney | Aye | William Jones | Aye |

Amherst Mill/Lazy River LLC

Town Manager Carter gave a report on a proposed site plan site plan showing the general design and layout of the development for Amherst Milling Company at 140 Union Hill Road, Amherst Virginia. Dave McCormack, Amherst Mill/ Lazy River LLC, was present to answer questions.

After discussion, Mr. Jones made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Hart to approve the proposed site plan in accordance with Article XI §18.1-1102, Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance Amherst Town Code, per recommendation of staff, subject to the following conditions:

- Final approval from the Virginia Department of Transportation shall be obtained; and
- Final approval of water and sewer connections from Town Engineer shall be obtained.

The motion carried 6-0 according to the following:

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| June Driskill | Aye | Clifford Hart | Aye |
| Kevin Belcher | Aye | Kenneth Bunch | Aye |
| Ted Finney | Aye | William Jones | Aye |

Sign Ordinance

Town Manager Carter gave an oral report on a proposed new sign ordinance in order to comply with the Supreme Court rulings in *Reed v. Town of Gilbert* (576 U.S., June 2015). A copy of the proposed new sign ordinance was provided to the Commission.

Mr. Belcher exited the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

After discussion, on motion by Mr. Bunch which was seconded by Mr. Hart, the Commission approved to hold a public hearing on the proposed new sign ordinance at the Commission's December meeting. The motion carried 5-0-1 according to the following:

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

Commissioner Belcher re-entered the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:56 PM.

June Driskill, Chairperson

Attest: _____
Secretary