

**TOWN OF AMHERST
PLANNING COMMISSION
Wednesday, March 1, 2017
AGENDA**

7:30 PM

1. **Call to Order –Town Hall @ 174 S. Main Street**
2. **Determination of Quorum**
3. **Confirmation of February 1, 2017**
4. **Public Hearing: Comprehensive Plan Update**

A duly advertised public hearing on the Comprehensive Plan proposal has been scheduled for this meeting.

Public Hearing:

The Town of Amherst Planning Commission will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on March 1, 2017 in the Town Hall at 174 S. Main Street. The purpose of the hearing is to hear comments on a proposed comprehensive plan for the Town of Amherst. The draft document is available for review at www.amherstva.gov and in the Town Hall during normal working hours.

5. **Status Reports on Other Projects**

A. Variance Application - 195 Mt. Olive Road

Information on a side yard and parking lot paving variance request is contained in a separate package for review per Sec. 18.1-1006.01 of the Town Code. Further information will be provided at the meeting.

6. **Concerns of Staff**
7. **Concerns of Commissioners**
8. **Adjournment**

Attachment: [Comprehensive Plan Update](#) (Draft dated February 1, 2017)

**Town of Amherst
Planning Commission Minutes
February 1, 2017**

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 7:30 PM on February 1, 2017. 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

Deputy Town Clerk Vicki Hunt and Town Manager Jack Hobbs, in his capacity as Secretary to the Commission, were present.

Minutes from the January 4, 2017 Commission meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Finney, seconded by Mr. Hart, and carried 5-0 according to the following:

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

Comprehensive Plan

A review and discussion of proposed changes to the draft Amherst 2016 Comprehensive Plan was held by the Commissioners. By consensus the Commissioners agreed to hold a public hearing on the matter at the next meeting in March.

Potential Zoning Ordinance Amendments

The Secretary provided the Commission with an update on the progress of the potential Zoning Ordinance amendments.

Pedestrian Safety and Downtown Walkability Study Project

Town Manager informed the Commissioners that on January 11, 2017, a public hearing was held on VDOT's 2017 paving plan and proposed pavement markings and bicycle accommodations. A discussion was held by the Commissioners on the matter.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:04 PM on a motion by Mr. Hart, seconded by Mr. Bunch, and carried 5-0 according to the following:

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

June Driskill, Chairperson

Attest: _____