

CITY OF INMAN
ZONING/PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
May 7, 2012 5:00 PM
Meeting Minutes

The Zoning/Planning Commission of Inman, SC met on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 5:00 in Inman City Hall. In attendance were Commission members Doug Hurlbert – Chairperson, Bessie Fisher – Secretary, Chad Morris, Ken Dittmore, Heath Fowler – Street Maintenance Supervisor, and Dennis Staton – Zoning Administrator. Also in attendance were Teri Newmark from Correll Insurance, Sherry Barrett and Lisa Halo of Upstate Forever. There was a quorum of Commission members present.

Sherry Barrett of Upstate Forever presented a Proposed Downtown Pedestrian Overlay District. A pedestrian overlay district is proposed for a geographic area representing the heart of the City of Inman's downtown. Sherry proposed a mini-workshop to detail the proposal to fit the City of Inman. The workshop will be scheduled in conjunction with the May Inman Trail Commission meeting on Monday, May 21 in City Hall beginning at 6:30 with approval of the Trail Commissioners.

March meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Doug Hurlbert with a second from Chad Morris. Minutes were approved unanimously. April meeting notes were reviewed and discussed. With no quorum for the April meeting, no actions were taken.

Richard Lane, Chairman of the Inman Trail Commission, presented a prototype of the proposed Inman Trails kiosk/sign. A District One student submitted the logo. The logo will be presented to Council at the regularly scheduled May City Council meeting for approval and funding. The iron work is approximately \$300.00 with the decal costing \$60.00.

Dennis Staton, Zoning Administrator, reported a slow month but an increase in unapproved signs. Dennis will include a letter to business owners in the city's mailings of Business License notifications. Business owners will be informed of new sign ordinances. The WELCOME TO INMAN sign location at TGA on Asheville Highway will be relocated due to lack of interest on the part of the property owner. Inman Mills does not agree to placing the WELCOME TO INMAN sign on their property at the junction of Highway 292 and New Cut Road. The proposed change will be at the intersection of Hwy. 292 and Park. This is the location of the prior sign. The sign location at Workability at the intersection of Asheville Highway and Bishop Road has property owner approval. The sign location at Bishop Road and Hwy. 292 towards I-26 has not been finalized.

The Z/P Commission continues to research open air market ordinances in other municipalities. Commissioners reviewed Spartanburg County's regulations and discussed the possibility of using it as a model for Inman's ordinances. No action was taken.

Doug Hurlbert reported on the WAYFINDING SIGNS cost estimates which will be presented at the May City Council meeting. The costs were priced separately with the estimated costs of \$2,150 per structure and the sign insert costs of \$60.00 with \$20.00 of the cost being the print costs. Businesses will pay for that.

Doug also reported on the Upstate Forever field trip to Belmont, NC to tour the community for information on their revitalization efforts.

Bessie Fisher reported the City Comprehensive plan is on hold until maps can be completed and inserted into the document. Then there will be a workshop to review before the document is presented to City Council.

With no further business, Chad Morris made a motion to adjourn with a second being made by Doug Hurlbert. The vote was unanimous.

Submitted by:

Bessie Fisher, Secretary.