

Richlands Planning Commission

October 6, 2020

**Members Present**

Richard Smith

Gaynelle Thompson

Michelle Elswick

Virginia Hart

Randy Smith

**Staff and Town Officials Present**

Adrienne Cordle

Nathan Keen

Connie Allen

Guests:

Shea Cook

Joe McCracken

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Smith.
2. Gaynelle Thompson gave the invocation; Randy Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The agenda was presented. There were no additions/deletions; Randy Smith made the motion to accept the agenda; Gaynelle Thompson seconded the motion. All members voted “aye” and the agenda was accepted.
4. Minutes from the September 1, 2020 regular meeting and the September 8, 2020 Joint Public Hearing were presented. Gaynelle Thompson made the motion to approve both sets of minutes; Randy Smith seconded the motion. All members voted “aye” and the minutes were approved.
5. New Business:
  - There was a brief review/discussion of Connie Allen’s request to rezone property located at 430 Virginia Avenue from an existing R-2 (General Residential) classification to a B2/R2 (General Business/General Residential) mixed classification. Richard Smith reminded the members that there would be a Joint Public Hearing with Council on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 for public input on the request.
6. Old Business:
  - Shea Cook then addressed the Commission regarding the Flood Remediation Task Force. He had come with the expectation that the others who had been asked to serve on the Task Force would be present for an organizational meeting. He stressed the importance of getting the Task Force up and working. Richard Smith asked Nathan Keen to have Tim Taylor contact the members and set a definite date for the organizational meeting; Nathan agreed to take care of that.

- Joe McCracken addressed the Commission about his interest in the Task Force. He stated that he had been dealing with flooding issues on his Jewell Street property for 18 years. He said it has affected not only people's homes but businesses as well. He urged the Task Force to begin acting now and offered to help in any way he can.

7. Miscellaneous/Members' Concerns: None

8. With no other business, Virginia Hart made the motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Gaynelle Thompson and all members voted "aye". Meeting was adjourned.

9. The meeting for the Planning Commission is a scheduled Joint Public Hearing with Council on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 5:45.

Submitted by: Virginia Hart, Secretary