

Richlands Planning Commission

July 1, 2025

Members Present

Barry Alley
Michelle Elswick
Greg Horn
Chester Price

Staff and Town Officials Present

Gary Jackson
Nathan Keen
Billy Shelton

Guests

- I. The meeting was called to order by Barry at 6:00 pm.
- II. Invocation given by Chester
- III. Pledge of Allegiance led by Barry
- IV. Approval of Minutes- Greg made the motion, Chester 2nd the motion, All Aye
- V. Business
 1. Billy updated the commission on work towards current B-2 zoned homes being able to rebuild after a Natural Disaster easier.
 - i. One thing they are working on is making sure the new code does not go against flood rules and regulations. The new code needs to go along with the current flood rules and regulations.
 - ii. Currently it would probably take 4 months or more to begin replacing the destroyed property. If the property is zoned B-2, the homeowner would not be able to build on the property at all.
 - iii. Wording is important. Percentage of Damage possibly.
 - iv. Billy and Nathan will reach out to legal for guidance.
 - v. Zoning overlay will remain on the agenda for the August meeting.
 2. Cleanup Efforts
 - i. Fairfax- trees have been cut and cleanup should be wrapped up soon.
 3. A new member is needed for the commission. Elaine has resigned. The commission will think of possible members for the commission and have them send a letter of intent to Nathan.
- VI. Member Concerns
 1. Michelle discussed concerns about high rates of speeding in the Brickyard and possible placement of a sidewalk throughout. Since Ron Holt was not in attendance, Billy suggested calling Jason Shephard and the sidewalk and Adam Crouse about the speeding issues.
 2. There was discussion about an abandoned house on Floyd/4th Street
- VII. Gary moved that the meeting be adjourned, Greg seconded, All Aye. Meeting was adjourned.
- VIII. The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, August 5, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

Submitted by: Michelle Elswick, Secretary

