

**King & Queen County
Planning Commission Minutes
July 2, 2012**

The King & Queen County Planning Commission met on Monday, July 2, 2012, at 6:05 p.m. in the King & Queen County Courts and Administrations Building in the Court Room for their regular monthly meeting.

Planning Commission Members Present:

John Roane	William Herrin
Milton Watkins	Hunter Richardson
David Campbell	
Joy Harvey	

Also in Attendance:

Donna E. Sprouse, Assistant Zoning Administrator

Call to Order

Vice-Chairman, Hunter Richardson, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

Mr. Campbell took roll call and determined that a quorum was present.

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After a brief review of the minutes, a motion was made by Mr. Watkins to approve the minutes as written, second by Mr. Roane. The vote was ratified by all present members stating “Aye”.

Voting For: Watkins, Roane, Herrin, Harvey, Campbell, Richardson

Voting Against: None

Abstain: None

Citizens Comment Period

Mr. Richardson opened the floor for public comment period. He asked that persons that wanted to speak about items that are not on the agenda tonight, to please approach the podium and state their name and please be brief with their comments.

Mr. Richard Weaver with International Training Inc. (ITI) approached the Commission and stated that he wanted to update the Commission of their status in filing for the revised CUP and Rezoning request. He stated that they had submitted and received approval of their Corrective Action Agreement and Plan. He noted that they also submitted a final site plan to the County and is in hopes of moving forward with a public hearing shortly. He also noted that the helicopters that some folks are hearing at the airport are not associated with ITI.

Mr. Richardson asked the Commission if they had any comments or questions for Mr. Weaver. Hearing no further comments, Mr. Richardson closed the public comment period.

Old Business

A. Wetlands Board requests adoption of proposed Dunes Ordinance (2nd request)

Mr. Richardson asked Mrs. Sprouse to please address the next item on the agenda. Mrs. Sprouse noted that since the first time reviewing this request in 2010, there have been new Commissioners appointed. Mrs. Sprouse stated that she attached the email chain from 2010 between her and Mr. Randy Owens with VMRC. Mrs. Sprouse also gave a brief background as to what is being requested by VMRC and the King & Queen County Wetlands Board. Mrs. Sprouse also provided the Commission with a copy of the proposed sand and dunes model ordinance provided by Mr. Owens. Mr. Richardson asked Mrs. Sprouse what is staff's position on adopting such an ordinance and asked if it was a requirement. Mrs. Sprouse stated that she personally had mixed feelings about the request. She noted that if the ordinance is to benefit the citizens of the County, she is for the adoption of the ordinance. Then again, there are a few uncertainties with its adoption. She explained that according to the email from Mr. Owens in 2010 he noted that there probably are no dunes in King & Queen County and that there has not been a single case in King & Queen County where the property owner had to go before their board in Newport News. She added that there have been a few citizens to appear before their board in Newport News since the email chain. Mrs. Sprouse stated that Mr. James Kelly Tucker had to go before the Dunes Board in Newport News recently. Mr. Herrin asked if the adoption would cost the County any expense. Mrs. Sprouse stated that she still has questions in regard to fees, compliance reviews, staff training requirements. She also stated that should the Wetlands Board act as the Dunes Board as well, if someone must go before the Dunes Board and not the Wetlands Board, the County will have to pay mileage and such for them to meet. Mrs. Sprouse stated that public notices will be required, adjoining property notification letters will be required, site inspections will be required by staff and the Dunes Board. Mrs. Sprouse noted that should the Planning Commission wish, she will invite Mr. Owens back to speak to the Commission, as well as the Wetlands Board.

Hearing no further comments, a motion was made by Mr. Herrin to do nothing and take no action in proceeding with hearing this request again, seconded by Mr. Watkins.

Voting For: Watkins, Roane, Herrin, Harvey, Campbell, Richardson

Voting Against: None

Abstain: None

B. Review/Discuss Draft Comprehensive Plan (*Work Session*)

Mr. Richardson asked Mrs. Sprouse if she had anything that she would like to go over in reference to the Comprehensive Plan update. Mrs. Sprouse explained that as they should be aware, the comprehensive surveys have gone out and have provided them all with copies of the survey results, along with an electronic copy via email. Mrs. Sprouse added that she has been working on a draft of the new Comprehensive Plan and would like briefly review what she has

thus far. Mrs. Sprouse briefly read through the chapters and sections of the comprehensive plan draft.

Mr. Richardson stated that he wants this Comprehensive Plan to be a tool not only for staff, but also the community. He wants it to be informative and explain the process and the purpose of the plan and its requirements. He is hoping this is a plan that we can refer citizens to when they may not agree with something that is done or understand the needs and vision of the County.

Mr. Richardson stated that he was going to skip to Staff Comments before hearing Commissioner's Comments.

Staff's Comments

Mrs. Sprouse updated the Commission on the status of the following applications/projects:

- Fulcrum Update
- River Pines Subdivision Update
- ITI Update
- Tuthill Update
- Application/Submissions
- Zoning Text Amendments Update
- Recognize out newest Certified Planning Commissioners (Harvey & Coleman)

Mr. Watkins asked Mrs. Sprouse what is going on July 9th involving the public hearing with the EDA and the property belonging to Mr. Walker on Route 360. Mrs. Sprouse explained it is so that the EDA could purchase the property for economic development purposes. The EDA is hopeful in finding businesses for the parcels.

Mr. Richardson asked if Mr. Tuthill is cooperating because it seems he is moving slowly. Mrs. Sprouse stated that Mr. Tuthill has hired Mr. Wilson with Wilson Engineers to prepare the WQIA and mitigation plan. She noted that Mr. Thompson has been in communications with Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Richardson stated that what he gathers from Mrs. Sprouse and Mr. Weaver, ITI is moving along in all aspects. Mrs. Sprouse confirmed.

Commissioner's Comments

Mr. Herrin stated that he would like to commend Donna for her hard work thus far on the Comprehensive Plan. He also wanted to remind the Commission that we will celebrate our 236 birthday and remember to thank those that gave so much so that we can live as we do today.

Mr. Roane stated that he also would like to comment on all of the work that has been done with the Comprehensive Plan. He further noted that he appreciates the months that they do not meet because it allows the Commission time to review all of the data and information that is provided to them.

Mr. Campbell stated that he too would like to thank Donna for her work on the Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Watkins noted that he thanks Donna for her hard work. Thanked Mr. Richardson for stepping up and leading the meeting tonight in the absence of Chairman, Taylor.

Mrs. Joy also stated that Mrs. Sprouse did a lot of work and did a great job.

Mr. Richardson congratulated Mrs. Harvey for her hard work in completing the Planning Commissioners certification course. He also thanked Donna for reviewing the draft Comprehensive Plan.

The next meeting will be held August 6, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Watkins to adjourn. Adjournment was ratified by all present members saying "Aye".

Hunter Richardson, Vice-Chairman