

TOWN OF BEECH MOUNTAIN
Planning Board Minutes
January 29, 2019
Beech Mountain Council Chambers

Call to order at 9:00 am

Members Present:

Board Chairman Pete Chamberlin, Vice-Chair John Hoffman, Joe Antonell, Robert Cavagnaro, and Peter Patton. Also in attendance were Town Manager Tim Holloman, Mayor Renee Castiglione, Vice-Mayor Barry Kaufman, and Council Member Wendel Saur.

Adoption of Agenda:

The agenda was adopted as submitted

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes from November 27, 2018 Regular Meeting and December 18, 2018 Regular Meeting were approved without correction.

Organizational Business:

Chairperson and Vice-Chair selection

The Board nominated and approved Pete Chamberlin to serve as Chairman. The Board nominated and approved John Hoffman to serve as Vice-Chair. The Board nominated and approved Town Planner Preston Yates to serve as Secretary.

Old Business:

Comprehensive Plan Update – Survey Findings

Town Planner Preston Yates introduced and discussed the initial survey findings. Mr. Yates discussed the initial timeline that was established for the Comprehensive Plan and how the process was proceeding. Mr. Yates indicated that the survey took some time to get finalized, which has put the process a couple of months behind the initial schedule. Board Member Joe Antonell asked if the Board would have the opportunity to review the chapters, before a meeting was scheduled with the public. Mr. Yates indicated that he would be providing the Board with the updated analysis along with updated chapters to the Board for review and that once they had reviewed all of the chapters, the Board would set that meeting to present it to the public. Vice-Chair John Hoffman asked if there would be a comparison of the previous survey versus the most recent survey. Mr. Yates indicated that part of the analysis that will be performed is to compare previous survey responses to the current survey. Mr. Yates indicated that all of those findings would be presented to the Board.

The Board reviewed each of the survey questions and the initial findings from the survey. Mr. Antonell stated that the survey results were inline with what he expected. Mr. Antonell also asked if a peer group of similar towns and cities had ever been established. Mr. Yates indicated that he was not aware of such a group for comparison. Mr. Hoffman indicated that there was some attempt previously but was found difficult due to the unique character of Beech Mountain. Board Member Peter Patton indicated that it would be important to not only look at the overall results of the survey, but also to find what younger residents preferred in order to encourage the long-term prosperity of the Town.

Other Business

No other business was brought before the Board.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am, 1/29/2019