



CITY OF DAHLONEGA

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 04, 2023 AT 6:00 PM
CITY HALL - MAYOR MCCULLOUGH COUNCIL
CHAMBER

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Vision - To be an open, honest, and responsive city, balancing preservation, and growth, and delivering quality services fairly and equitably by being good stewards of Dahlonega's resources.

Call to Order

Call to order by Chairman Robert Conaway at 6:00pm.

PRESENT

Chairman Robert Conaway
Commission Member Joyce Westmoreland
Commission Member Win Crannell
Commission Member Michael Feagin
Commission Member James Guy
Commission Member James Spivey
Commission Member James Carroll

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

Chairman Conaway wanted to add a vote to appoint a vice chairman in case the absence of the chairman.

Motion made by Commission Member Carroll to accept the change in the agenda,
Seconded by Commission Member Crannell.

Voting Yea: Commission Member Westmoreland, Commission Member Crannell,
Commission Member Feagin, Commission Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey,
Commission Member Carroll

Motion Passed

Approval of Minutes:

1. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes November 1, 2022

Motion made by Commission Member Carroll to approve as written, Seconded
by Commission Member Crannell.

Voting Yea: Chairman Conaway, Commission Member Westmoreland,
Commission Member Crannell, Commission Member Feagin, Commission
Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey, Commission Member Carroll

Motion Passed

OLD BUSINESS

Zoning Cases:

Conditional Uses:

NEW BUSINESS

2. 2023 Chairman Appointment

ARTICLE XXIII. - PLANNING COMMISSION

Sec. 2301. - Creation and appointment.

One (1) such member shall be annually elected chairman of the Planning Commission by the Planning Commission members, and the Chairman shall not vote except in cases of a tie-vote between the other members.

Motion made by Commission Member Crannell to reappoint Commissioner Conaway as Chairman, Seconded by Commission Member Guy.

Voting Yea: Commission Member Westmoreland, Commission Member Crannell, Commission Member Feagin, Commission Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey, Commission Member Carroll

Motion Passed

3. 2023 Appointment of Secretary

ARTICLE XXIII. - PLANNING COMMISSION

Sec. 2301. - Creation and appointment.

Members of the Planning Commission shall appoint a secretary, or in lieu of such appointment, the Zoning Administrative Officer shall serve as the secretary of the Planning Commission

Chairman Conaway suggested to allow staff to continue to act as Secretary for the Planning Commission. No objections

No vote needed.

4. Ordinance 2022-16

An ordinance to exclude off-street parking and loading requirements within B-3 and CBD zones for restaurants, lounges and retail businesses.

Planning and Zoning Administrator Jameson Kinley presented what was discussed before Council and the recommendations from the Parking Committee and Staff.

Chairman Conaway opened it up to the public comments.

No one to speak in favor or against.

Discussion among Commission and Staff.

Motion made by Commission Member Guy to recommend tabling the discussion for changing the parking ordinance until such time more information is provided (such as previous parking studies). The severity of the subject needs more time to discuss. Until such time, allow new businesses to apply for variances. Seconded by Commission Member Crannell.

Voting Yea: Chairman Conaway, Commission Member Westmoreland, Commission Member Crannell, Commission Member Feagin, Commission Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey, Commission Member Carroll
Motion passed to recommend tabling.

5. 2023 Appointment of Secretary

Motion made by Commission Member Westmoreland to appoint Commissioner Feagin as Vice-Chair, Seconded by Commission Member Crannell.

Voting Yea: Chairman Conaway, Commission Member Westmoreland, Commission Member Crannell, Commission Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey, Commission Member Carroll
Motion Passed

Zoning Cases:

Conditional Uses:

INFORMATION & TRAINING

Adjournment

Motion made by Commission Member Feagin to adjourn, Seconded by Commission Member Westmoreland.

Voting Yea: Chairman Conaway, Commission Member Westmoreland, Commission Member Crannell, Commission Member Feagin, Commission Member Guy, Commission Member Spivey, Commission Member Carroll