



**MINUTES  
CITY OF LAUREL  
CITY/COUNTY PLANNING BOARD  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2022  
5:35 PM  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The Chair called the meeting to order at: 5:35Pm

**Present:**

Jon Klasna	Gavin Williams	Evan Bruce
Roger Giese	Dan Koch	Judy Goldsby
Karen Courtney (City of Laurel)		

**Absent:**

Ron Benner

**General Items**

Meeting Minutes: January 19, 2022

The Members reviewed the meeting minutes from January 19, 2022

Motion to approve: Dan

Second: Gavin

Motion Carried.

**New Business**

Laurel Golf Course Annexation Request – Withdrawal

**Judy:** Have board members had an opportunity to review the information that was sent out.

**Roger:** Do we need to approve the withdrawal?

**Karen:** You do not have to vote to approve the withdrawal. It is just notifying the board that they have pulled the last annexation request that we had the public hearing on.

Forrest Sanderson Appointment

**Question from audience:** Has there been any applicants?

**Karen:** Kurt could you speak on how many applicants we have had?

**Kurt Markegard:** Had a preliminary interview and have sent him a test consisting of preparing a zone change request, once we receive that information back it will be evaluated before decision is made by Mayor to consider for employment.

**Gavin:** Did Forrest interview him?

**Kurt:** Yes

Sign Review – Fiesta Mexicana Cantina

**Karen:** Fiesta Mexicana is taking over the Laurel Station Casino and Locomotive Bar. They will have entire building, so they are going to be changing out the signing. They are taking what is existing and putting up new ones. Did contact sign company to verify if they were keeping electronic messaging sign and they are keeping that sign as is. Footage of new signs will remain the same as previous business. Refreshing paint, removing rails and refreshing the awning. They currently have signs on the shed and back entrance. Asked if they would be taking those down and the sign company believes they are. If Board wishes to make that a condition of the permit, it can be required.

**Judy:** The ones that are existing already?

**Karen:** Yes, when they moved into the back portion of the building.

Motion to Approve: Gavin

Second: Evan

Discussion to clarify location of property.

Motion carries

#### Sign Review – Patty’s Sparkle Salon

**Karen:** Patty’s Sparkle Salon has taken over the Elite Salon next to King Koin, the laundromat on West Main Street. She will be placing her signs over where the Elite signs were, and she will be adding two lights up above that will shine only on the signs when it gets dark. Does meet code requirements for the sign permit, it is in entryway zoning.

**Evan:** Noticed that there were window graphics shown, does that count towards square footage?

**Karen:** That is not considered a sign as it does not have a logo on it. Can be condition of permit that the window covering cannot have the logo on it,

Motion to approve: Gavin

Second: Roger

Motion carried

#### Old Business

#### Other Items

Project Updates: Laurel Golf Course New – Annexation Petition

**Karen:** Petition has been submitted; it has not been fully processed. We will have a public hearing on it March 16<sup>th</sup>. We are getting the legal noticed prepared and will have the packet upstairs for public review prior to that time. Forrest is working on the review.

**Roger:** What changes are there?

**Judy:** Believes there are some changes regarding our last meeting.

**Roger:** I believe it pertained to the one lot as the major complaint.

**Karen:** I have not looked at the petition at this time as I have been working on the Special Review that will also be presented on March 16<sup>th</sup> for Firebox Kitchen. At this time, it has just been submitted and Forrest is reviewing. He will have everything prepared for review; public notice is prepared we are waiting to put into paper.

**Question from audience:** When will it be available?

**Karen:** After the public notice goes out.

**Question from audience:** When is public notice going to go out?

**Karen:** Public notice has to go out 15 days prior to public hearing so that will be published on February 25<sup>th</sup> and another in March.

**Question from audience:** Where is it published?

**Karen:** Yellowstone County News

**Roger:** What other hearing are we having?

**Karen:** Special review for Firebox Kitchen that is going into the Solberg retail building. Where Jimmy John's is located, since it is a tap room it is required to go through the special review process.

**Judy:** They will not be brewing there, correct?

**Karen:** Just serving not brewing. That will also be part of the legal notice that goes out.

**Mark Russell – Saddleback Ridge Estates:** Does that also get posted on the website? Is the Yellowstone County news the only place that gets published?

**Karen:** I know that is where they have been published before. Another will be hung in Lobby outside water office as well.

**Mark Russell:** So as soon as the first notice is out it will be out there?

**Karen:** Then once it goes out it will also be mailed to adjoining neighbors.

**Question from audience:** What is happening with Northwest Energy putting in line?

**Judy:** That is out of our hands and is going through the county commissioners.

**Gavin:** Don was at rotary yesterday and stated that they are in the process of resubmitting to the county commissioners. Application for going under the river. There will be a public notice going out pertaining to this.

#### **Announcements**

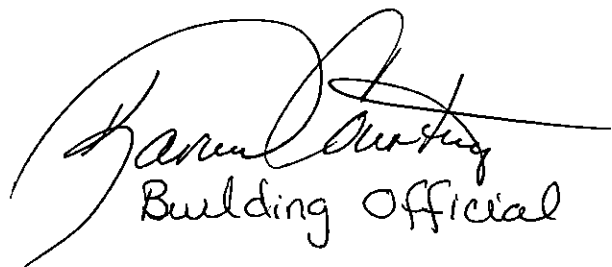
Next Meeting: March 16, 2022

#### **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn: Gavin

Second: Roger

Meeting adjourned at 5:52pm.



Karen  
Building Official