

**MEETING MINUTES
ORANGE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
MARCH 2, 2022
REGULAR MEETING**

(Due to current public health concerns, this meeting was held virtually.
Members of the Planning Board, staff and public participated remotely)

MEMBERS PRESENT: David Blankfard (Chair), Hillsborough Township Representative; Adam Beeman (Vice-Chair), Cedar Grove Township Representative; Lamar Proctor, Cheeks Township Representative; Kim Piracci, Eno Township Representative; Statler Gilfillen, At-Large Representative; Randy Marshall, At-Large Representative; Susan Hunter, Chapel Hill Township Representative; Whitney Watson, At-Large Representative; Melissa Poole, Little River Township Representative; Alexandra Allman, At-Large Representative; Charity Kirk, At-Large Representative;

MEMBERS ABSENT: Carrie Fletcher, Bingham Township Representative;

STAFF PRESENT: Craig Benedict, Planning Director; Perdita Holtz, Planning Systems Coordinator; Tina Love, Administrative Support

OTHERS PRESENT: Kenton Wiles, Henry Webb, Jackson Poole

AGENDA ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair David Blankfard called the meeting to order.

AGENDA ITEM 2: ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2022

David Blankfard: Do we have any nominations or volunteers for Vice-Chair.

Statler Gilfillen: I can make time if you want.

Charity Kirk: I nominate Statler.

Adam Beeman: I'll second

Kim Piracci: I'll nominate Lamar for Vice-Chair.

Melissa Poole: I'll second

Statler: I'll withdraw my name to make it easier and we don't have to vote for or against anyone.

Melissa Poole: I'll nominate Adam Beeman as Chair.

Lamar Proctor: I'll second.

Adam Beeman: Ok, roll call to vote for Adam Beeman as Chair and Lamar Proctor as Vice-Chair.

David Blankfard Yes

Whitney Watson Yes

Melissa Poole Yes

Susan Hunter Yes

Charity Kirk Yes

Statler Gilfillen Yes

Lamar Proctor Yes

Kim Piracci Yes

Adam Beeman Yes

Delores Bailey Yes

Randy Marshall Yes

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AGENDA ITEM 3: INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Planning Calendar for March and April
- b. Kim Piracci's second full term expires March 31, 2022
- c. Planning Director Craig Benedict is retiring April 1, 2022

The Planning Board thanked Kim Piracci for her service

The Planning Board and Craig Benedict discussed his upcoming retirement and the Board thanked him for his service to Orange County

Delores Bailey introduced herself to the Planning Board

AGENDA ITEM 4: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

MOTION BY Randy Marshall to approve the December 1, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Melissa Poole.

ROLLCALL VOTE:

- Adam Beeman Yes
- David Blankfard Yes
- Whitney Watson Yes
- Melissa Poole Yes
- Susan Hunter Yes
- Charity Kirk Yes
- Statler Gilfillen Yes
- Lamar Proctor Yes
- Kim Piracci Yes
- Delores Bailey Yes
- Randy Marshall Yes

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA ITEM 4: CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONS TO AGENDA.

There were none

AGENDA ITEM 5: PUBLIC CHARGE

INTRODUCTION TO THE PUBLIC CHARGE

The Board of County Commissioners, under the authority of North Carolina General Statute, appoints the Orange County Planning Board (OCPB) to uphold the written land development law of the County. The general purpose of OCPB is to guide and accomplish coordinated and harmonious development. OCPB shall do so in a manner, which considers the present and future needs of its citizens and businesses through efficient and responsive process that contributes to and promotes the health, safety, and welfare of the overall County. The OCPB will make every effort to uphold a vision of responsive governance and quality public services during our deliberations, decisions, and recommendations.

PUBLIC CHARGE

The Planning Board pledges to the citizens of Orange County its respect. The Board asks its citizens to conduct themselves in a respectful, courteous manner, both with the Board and with fellow citizens. At any time, should any member of the Board or any citizen fail to observe this public charge, the Chair will ask the offending member to leave the meeting until that individual regains personal control. Should decorum fail to be restored, the Chair will recess the meeting until such time that a genuine commitment to this public charge is observed.

AGENDA ITEM 6: CHAIR COMMENTS

There were none

115 **AGENDA ITEM 7: MAJOR SUBDIVISION PRELIMINARY PLAT REVISION** – To review and make a recommendation to the on a
116 revision to a previously approved Preliminary Plat for a Major Subdivision called the Lodges of Chapel Hill.
117 The 12-lot subdivision on 43.87 acres has begun development but, due to an NCDOT decision, the
118 proposed road must be changed from a public road to a Class A private road. The subdivision is located off
119 of Damascus Church Road in Chapel Hill Township and encompassed two PINs: 9777029266 and
120 9777110563.

121 **PRESENTER:** Perdita Holtz, Planner III

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123 *Perdita Holtz reviewed this item with a PowerPoint presentation and the developer, Kenton Wiles spoke about the plans.*

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125 **MOTION BY** Charity Kirk to recommend approval of the draft Resolution of Approval as contained in Attachment 4. Seconded
126 by Melissa Poole.

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128 **ROLLCALL VOTE:**

- 129 David Blankfard Yes
- 130 Melissa Poole Yes
- 131 Susan Hunter Yes
- 132 Charity Kirk Yes
- 133 Statler Gilfillen Yes
- 134 Lamar Proctor Yes
- 135 Kim Piracci Yes
- 136 Delores Bailey Yes
- 137 Randy Marshall Yes
- 138 Adam Beeman Yes

139 **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

140 *Whitney Watson's internet connections was disconnected and he was not able to remain in the meeting.*

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142 **AGENDA ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT**

143 Meeting was adjourned by consensus at 7:39 p.m.

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Adam Beeman, Chair