

Ocracoke Planning Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
August 13, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.
Ocracoke Community Center

Board members present: Corky Pentz, Tom Payne, Jerry Midgett, Sharon Justice, Butch Bryan, Benji Hart, Amy Johnson

Board members absent: None

Also present: County Planner Kris Noble (via phone), PIO Sarah Johnson, and 4 members of the public

Review of July 16, 2015 meeting minutes

- Motion by Butch to approve the minutes. Second by Sharon. All in favor, none opposed.

Consideration of the agenda

- No changes necessary

Chairperson's report:

- Signage
 - The Board is still considering changing the sign regulations, especially sandwich boards
- E-mail to Mr. Ducker
 - Corky left a message for Mr. Ducker regarding the Board's suggested changes and the Board's desire for public comment during "open meetings"
 - Corky specifically asked Mr. Ducker to look at section 36-183 Home Occupations and section 36-176 Signs
 - Jerry says he is scared to change anything, he says one word or two words won't be important
 - Corky says Mr. Ducker will review the ODO and send his comments to the Board for their review
 - Butch thinks that the Board should talk about signage now
 - He says that people have asked for no flashing neon signs in the village and how big sign letters can be on a building
 - Corky asks how tall a sandwich board should be. He thinks it should be small enough to pull in off the road every night.
 - Corky says Dare County doesn't allow sandwich boards except during the off-season.
 - Corky says that most businesses say their signs in the DOT right-of-way are actually portable
 - Discussion of the CAMA Land Use Plan
 - County Planner Kris Noble says the county's CAMA Land Use Plan was adopted in 2008, she says state regulation supercedes the ODO.

- Amy is concerned that the CAMA rules have changed and need to be adopted in the ODO.
- Kris explains that the County's CAMA Land Use Plan is totally different from CAMA law. The County's CAMA Land Use Plan is largely background information. From her last discussion with CAMA, she says is they're going to change their mandate for county CAMA Land Use plans from a new plan every 5 years to small updates to an existing plan.

Old Business

- New Definitions for Cottage Industry, duplex
 - Inspector Jerry Hardison gave Corky a sheet on duplexes and how they are defined.
 - Discussion of definitions for "cottage industry"
- Review changes to ODO
 - Butch says the ODO reminds him of the seatbelt law. No one wears their seatbelt and the local deputies don't enforce the law. Then when the state patrol comes in town, people get upset for getting tickets for violating the law. Butch says the County needs to enforce the ODO.
 - Corky thinks the ODO isn't enforced is because the language is too generic.

New Business

- Open Discussion of ODO
 - Corky says the outdoor sales permit needs a fee associated with it
 - PIO Sarah Johnson tells the Board that it in the May 5, 2014 Board of Commissioners meeting minutes it states the Commissioners approved changes to the building inspections permit fee schedule, including a \$50 fee for kiosk/roadside stand
- Continue review of ODO in September
- EMS relocation
 - Tom says Commissioner Fletcher would like the Board to endorse one of the possible EMS relocation properties
 - The Board agrees that the EMS relocation is not their issue and chooses not to get involved

Public Discussion

- None

Next meeting date:

- **Changed from Thursday, September 10, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. to Thursday, September 24, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Center**

Motion to adjourn by Benji. Second by Jerry. All in favor, none opposed.