

**Minutes of the Parish Town and Village Planning Board  
and Conservation Advisory Council**

**Parish Village Gym  
February 22, 2021 at 6:30PM**

Paul Gage called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. He then asked for a roll call.

**Roll Call:** Paul Gage, Chairman  
Kevin Dwyer  
Virginia Brown, Clerk

Ben McDonald  
Bill Scriber, via Zoom  
Diane Spaziani, via zoom

**Reading of Minutes:**

Paul G. asked if everyone got the minutes from January's meeting. He asked if there were any additions, corrections, exclusions, omissions. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Kevin D. made the motion to accept and Bill S. seconded the motion. Kevin D. called for a roll call vote. Roll taken: Kevin Dwyer-Aye, Ben McDonald-Aye, Bill Scriber-Aye, Diane Spaziani-Aye, Paul Gage-Aye. All in favor, motion carried.

**New Business:** Michelle Bennett is present to request approval to put up a sign for her business at 2972 E. Main St. She is looking to put up a 2'x 6' cloth banner sign. Paul G. asked if there were any questions regarding signage. Paul G. asked for a motion to allow a 2'x 6' sign over the business door of the mercantile. Bill S. made the motion and Ben M. seconded. Roll taken: Kevin D. – Aye, Ben M. – Aye, Bill S. – Aye, Diane S. – Aye, Paul G. – Aye. All in favor, motion carried.

**Communications/Reports of Committee:**

Jim Bernys-CEO/ZEO: Paul G. asked if any one had any questions for Jim.

Paul Baxter-Tug Hill Commission: He gave an update of who has joined the meeting via zoom; Matt J. and Mike M. have joined.

**Old Business:**

Communication Tower on Rider St.: Paul G. asked if everyone received the letter from Tillman Infrastructure. Bill S. and Diane S. agree there is no problem with extending the Special Use Permit approval due to Army Corp of Engineers. Does the board want to grant a 6 month or a 12 month extension? Kevin D. said a 6 month and Jim B. said he would give a 1 year on the building permit. Paul G. said that would put it to the end of August. Bill S. motioned to accept the extension and Diane S. seconded the motion. Roll taken: Kevin D. – Aye, Ben M. –Aye, Bill S.-Aye, Diane S. –Aye, Paul G. – Aye. All in favor, motion carried. Paul G. will send out a letter to let Tony know that the approval will be extended to Aug. 23, 2021.

Continue working on the Comprehensive Plan with Matt J.; Diane S. asked if he could expand the town revitalization, add a page for that also. Bill S. said they did discuss some strategies that would go after this. They should just drop Village and have Town and Village together. Matt J. said they could rephrase the wording to include village and town.

Discussion was held regarding parking for Ride and Share as well as easy access for snowmobile trails and Happy Valley.

Diane S. said that the park at the corner of RT. 69A and 69 should have a name. She also said there needs to be additional parking for the village. Kevin D. mentioned that there is parking near the Methodist church. Bill S. asked if there was any signage for that? There is no signage right now, perhaps there should be. Ben M. said there needs to be a restriction on what vehicles can park there.

Discussion took place about water and adding Natural Gas to desired improvements.

Regarding infrastructure, curbs, sidewalks, parking and lighting; Diane S. mentioned alternative energy for the municipal building, & lighting. Kevin D. said we already have LED lighting on streets.

The village sewer information is in need of updating. The industrial usage Kevin D. said was Miller Lumber. (Should the old elementary be included in that?) Kevin said that in 2019 the daily max flow was 70,000 gal. per day, and for 2020 it was down to 44,000. Kevin said he thinks they have fixed the rain water runoff into the system.

The Town Supervisor asked about fish ladders in the Little Salmon River (under Recreation). Mexico is installing ladders at the dam. It may be beneficial to the Town to re-establish Salmon spawning in our area.

**Agenda for March:**

Continue work on Comprehensive Plan

Paul G. said he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin D. made the motion and Diane S. seconded. Roll taken, all in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Virginia Brown, Clerk