



**OAK RIDGE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MEETING
APRIL 28, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.
OAK RIDGE TOWN HALL**

MINUTES

Board Members Present

Jason Streck, Chair
Nancy Stoudemire, Vice Chair
Patrick Fiorentino
Patti Paslaru
Ron Simpson
Larry Stafford
Megan Dyson, Alternate (Sitting)

Staff Present

Sandra Smith, Town Clerk
Sean Taylor, Planning Director

Board Members Absent

Tammy Gardner
Maureena Shepherd, Alternate
Rick Schlaginhaufen, Alternate

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jason Streck at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Patti Paslaru moved to approve the agenda, and Nancy Stoudemire seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).

3. APPROVE MINUTES

Patrick Fiorentino motioned to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2022 meeting, and Patti Paslaru seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of Commercial Village Core Design Guidebook by Hill Studio.
Peter Girareadu of Hill Studio made a presentation to the Board regarding the Commercial Village Core Design Guidebook. Planning Director Sean Taylor told the Board that he would be working to create new ordinances based upon the new guidelines. A lengthy conversation ensued with Board members asking questions regarding the Commercial Village Core Design Guidebook.

Nancy Stoudemire made a motion to recommend to Town Council the Commercial Village Core Design Guidebook be approved, and Ron Simpson seconded. The motion was passed unanimously (7-0).

- B. Update from Conservation Easement Committee (Ron Simpson).** Simpson shared information with the Board regarding the Conserving Oak Ridge through Easements Initiative. He handed out a press release and grant information, which are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of the minutes.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Ann Schneider, 8506 Rosedale Drive in Oak Ridge, said that one of the purposes of the Conservation Easement Committee was to guide residents through the process if they were interested in the putting easements in place in order to preserve open spaces because the process was complicated. Schneider said that the grant program provided funds to assist with the monitoring the property for compliance with the easement terms which could cost up to \$10,000 per property. She said that the Town would help homeowners, who were interested in the program, through the process which may take six-nine months to work out the details.
- Nancy Stoudemire, 8003 Eastridge Road in Oak Ridge, said after hearing the presentation about more development that she felt like the Town needed strong advocacy for new schools in the northwest area. She said that all of the schools are overcrowded already, and that the Town needed to look closely at this issue in order to assist with finding a solution.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Patti Paslaru moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Patrick Fiorentino seconded, and the motion was passed unanimously (7-0).

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandra B. Smith, NCCMC, CMC
Town Clerk

Jason Streck
Chair