



MINUTES

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
Diamondhead, Mississippi
Diamondhead City Hall Council Chambers
June 23, 2015
5:30 p.m. CST

1. Chairman Malley called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. CST.
2. Commissioner Hensley recited the Statement of Purpose.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Garrison.
4. Clerk Jeannie Klein called roll- Present: Commissioners Bice, Garrison, Hensley, Malley, and Miller. Absent: Commissioner Smith and Bower.

Also present: City Manager Reed, City Attorney Derek Cusick and Minutes Clerk Jeannie Klein.

Others present: Jenny Hartshorn, Christie Chandler, Larry and Monique Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Deeks

5. Confirmation of the Agenda

Commissioner Miller moved, seconded by Commissioner Hensley, to confirm and approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Bice, Garrison, Hensley, Miller and Malley. Nays: None. Absent: Smith and Bower.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 6. Approve Minutes.** - Commissioner Garrison moved, seconded by Commissioner Bice, to approve the Minutes of May 26, 2015 as presented.

Ayes: Bice, Garrison, Hensley, Miller and Malley. Nays: None. Absent: Smith and Bower.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. New Business – Case File Number 2015-00132

Mr. Dennis Hartshorn has filed an application requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 4.18.3 D ii) to allow an accessory structure to exceed the maximum floor area of 144 square feet by 240 feet. The proposed floor area of the accessory structure is 384 square feet (16' X 24'). The property address is 56128 Diamondhead Drive East. The tax parcel number is 131C-1-13-049.000. The property is located south of and adjacent to Diamondhead Drive East and west of Anoai Way.

Chairman Malley called for anyone present wishing to address to the Commission. Christie Chandler spoke on behalf of Jenny Hartshorn. Ms. Chandler explained the use of the building would be primarily to house medical equipment for a handicap individual in the household. After a lengthy discussion of the intended use of structure Commissioner Garrison stated approval would be setting a terrible precedent.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the request stating that in doing so did not necessarily indicate he is in favor of the variance. Chairman Malley called for a second.

MOTION DIED FOR A LACK OF SECOND

Commission Garrison then moved to deny the variance, Commissioner Hensley seconded.

Ayes: Bice, Garrison, Hensley, Miller and Malley. Nays: None. Absent: Smith and Bower.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Case File Number 2015-0160

Mr. Arthur Deeks has filed an application requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 9.8 D) to allow the construction of a wooden fence with a maximum height of 7'4". The maximum height of a fence cannot exceed 6'. The applicant is also requesting a variance from the Zoning Ordinance (Article 9.8 J) to allow the construction of a wooden fence within 19' of the property line along Ahia Court. The property address is 7310 Ahi Drive. The tax parcel number is 068R-3-41-149.000. The property is located southwest and adjacent to Ahi Drive and northwest and adjacent to Ahia Court.

Chairman Malley called for anyone present wishing to address to the Commission. City Manager Reed introduced for the record a letter from Darryl Kinchen of the Diamondhead Property Owners Association opposing the variance. Kinchen request the Commission consider denying or tabling the matter allowing the issue to come to POA for initial approval.

Arthur Deeks addressed the Commission explaining the height necessity to contain their family pet. He further stated he had spoken with his neighbor who had no issues with the proposed fence. Commissioners encouraged Mr. Deeks to acquire his POA issued permit and to consider modifying the plans to allow for one less cinder block with tapering the outer perimeter ground level to cover the blocks. Commissioner Garrison moved to table the variance request, Commissioner Hensley seconded.

Ayes: Bice, Garrison, Hensley, Miller and Malley. Nays: None. Absent: Smith and Bower.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

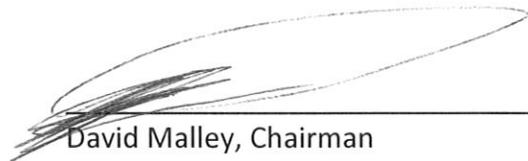
8. **Unfinished Business – None**

9. **Open Public Comments to Non-Agenda Items – None**

10. **Commissioner’s Comments – None**

11. **Communications / Announcements – None**

12. **Adjourn** - Commissioner Miller moved, seconded by Commissioner Bice, to adjourn at approximately 6:35 p.m. CST. The motion carried unanimously.



David Malley, Chairman
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City of Diamondhead, MS