

Minutes

Bull Shoals Planning and Zoning Commission

October 25, 2023

Meeting called to order by Carol Duss, Chairman

Roll call of members present: Dave Higgins, Tim Koenig, Carol Duss

Agenda:

Continuing Business

1. Subdivision covenants are difficult to access since most were implemented 50-20 years ago. The documents are logged with the Marion County Assessor's Office and require research in their various old books. Planning and Zoning will utilize a spreadsheet created by a local abstract company to extract and copy the covenants.
2. Updating the city zoning map is taking time due to the unavailability of the engineering company.
3. The comprehensive plan has been reviewed and needs community input so it can be updated.

New Business

1. The Planning and Zoning Commission requested Ms. Tina Cole, Coordinator from the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District (NWAEDD), to attend the meeting and provide information on the ways it could help Bull Shoals update the city's comprehensive development plan. She stated that it will require input from the mayor, city council, and community to determine the direction to take and establish strategic community plans. Ms. Cole can create surveys for the city using a QR code that could be printed on the water bill.
2. Ms. Cole also stated there is funding available to cities to help them create a strategic plan. They provide professional contractors, who hold 3-4 meetings and help the city determine what is needed now, in the future, and critical needs. She gave the example of how two years ago Jasper, Arkansas, generated a strategic plan that resulted in obtaining grants to upgrade its water system.

Dave Higgins motioned to adjourn; Time Koenig seconded. All stated Aye. The meeting closed at 6:38 pm.

Carol Duss, Chairman