The **Regular Monthly** meeting of the Gate City Planning Commission was held on Tuesday, April 1, 2008.

**Present:** Vice Chairman Eric McMurray, Richard Hubbard, Rita Tipton, Town Manager Steve Templeton, and Cindy Coates.

**Absent:** Chairman Michelle Jenkins and Robert Barker.

Vice Chairman Eric McMurray brought the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. after determining there was a quorum present.

There was a motion by Richard Hubbard, seconded by Cindy Coates to accept the minutes of the March 4, 2008 meeting, as presented.

Voting aye: All members present.

Voting nay: None

Abstaining: Steve Templeton

**Public Expression:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** Mr. Ronnie Lane came before the Planning Commission to request Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, plus Lots I, J and K being part of the plat of Portion of Cedars Subdivision Tax Map 146A 8 & 9 to be rezoned from residential to commercial. At present, this area is now being utilized by a doctor’s office, 911, Social Services, funeral home, church, Post Office, DMV, Gate City Elementary/Middle/High Schools, restaurant, parts store, garage, bank and the Eastman Credit Union. These above tracts are bordered by Nena Street on the South, Hemlock/Bishop Street on the east. After discussion by the planning commission, Richard Hubbard made a motion, seconded by Rita Tipton, to make the recommendation as follows and request the necessary property owners be notified by letter and notice of the a public hearing be advertised. It is recommended that the Gate City Planning Commission and Gate City Town Council hold a joint public hearing on the request by Ronnie and Walter Lane to rezone Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, I, J, and K being part of the Plat of
Portion of Cedars Subdivision Tax Map 146A 8 & 9 to be rezoned from residential to C-1, provided an adequate buffer zone between residential and commercial property be provided.

Voting aye: All members present.

Voting nay: None

**Unfinished Business:** There was discussion on Michelle considering giving up her Chairmanship of the Planning Commission, due to the fact she will be running for 9th District Republican Chairman. She feels she will not be able to devote the time needed to take care of the Chairmanship properly. The Planning Commission members would prefer she not vacate the Chairmanship position at this time. The Vice Chairman will proceed in conducting the meetings.

**Reports:** Cindy reported the completion of the bridge wall project should be on April 2. VDOT will re-paint it with different type paint. Cindy also stated there were several requests brought before the Board of Zoning Appeals such as setbacks not being met, etc. Steve Templeton, who is also a member of the Scott Co. Planning Commission, stated all property owners within the county of Scott will be receiving a notice by mail from the county, notifying them zoning is being considered. Cindy stated Michelle was able to obtain a mailing list of actual voters from the last election. Richard recommended the EDARC decide which parts of the Comprehensive Plan they wish to begin revising. There was a motion by Richard Hubbard, seconded by Cindy Coates, to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Voting aye: All members present.

Voting nay: None

Respectfully submitted,

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Rita Tipton, Acting Secretary