The Regular Monthly meeting of the Gate City Planning Commission was held on December 2, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Chairman Richard Hubbard, David Flanary, Walter Salyer, Steve Templeton and Rita Tipton. There were no members absent.

Richard brought the meeting to order at 6:04 after determining there was a quorum present at the meeting.

There was a motion by Rita Tipton, seconded by Walter Salyer to approve the minutes of the August 4, 2009 meeting.

Voting aye: All members present.
Voting nay: None
Motion carried.

There was a motion by David Flanary, seconded by Rita Tipton to adopt the October 6, 2009 minutes.

Voting aye: Richard Hubbard, David Flanary, Steve Templeton and Rita Tipton.
Voting nay: None
Abstaining from vote: Walter Salyer
Motion carried.

There was a Joint Public Hearing on November 30, 2009 in conjunction with the Town Council Meeting, regarding the Subdivision Ordinance. There was no public comment at this meeting.

There was special meeting (Public Hearing) on November 10, 2009 just before the Council Meeting to present the new Comprehensive Plan to be adopted. There was no public comment. There was a motion by David Flanary, seconded by Rita Tipton, to adopt the new Gate City Comprehensive Plan.

Old Business

The Transient Lodging Ordinance was adopted by the Gate City Town Council at their last meeting along with the Planning Commission’s recommendation of including a Class 1 Misdemeanor.

The EDARC is working on incentive packages for new businesses and has passed along to the Planning Commission a draft of the Gate City Technology Zone Ordinance. The Town Attorney has reviewed it and made a couple changes. There was extensive discussion on the ordinance. The Commission is
recommending corrected internal numbering changes, paragraph on restrictions and took off “rebate” of building permits.

There was a motion by Rita Tipton, seconded by David Flanary, to send the corrected Technology Zone Ordinance to the town Attorney for presentation to the Gate City Town Council.

Voting aye:  All members present.
Voting nay:  None
Absent from vote:  None
Motion carried.

The EDARC will be working on the Real Estate Tax Abatement to be forwarded to the Planning Commission for approval and then sent to the Council. The District must be declared “Historic District” to qualified.

New Business

There was a motion by David Flanary, seconded by Rita Tipton, to request the Gate City Town Council revoke the appointment of Tammy Johnson to the Planning Commission. There has been no response from Tammy to any of the Planning Commission correspondence or attempts to contact her by phone or e-mails.

Voting aye:  All members present.
Voting nay:  None
Absent from vote:  None
Motion carried.

It was suggested that the town run an ad one week per month until the positions of 2 additional members be filled. Rita is to request the Council’s approval.

There was a motion by David Flanary, seconded by Walter Salyer to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

Voting aye:  All members present.
Voting nay:  None
Motion carried.

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Secretary                                                                       Chairman