

McDowell County Planning Board
Regular Meeting
01/27/2014
Minutes

The McDowell County Planning Board met in regular session on January 27, 2014 at 7pm. The meeting was held in the Commissioners Boardroom on the first floor of the County Administration Building.

Members Present:

C.B. Edwards, Vice Chairman
Arvin Hicks
Bob Brendle
Benny Stamey
Dennis Whitson
Dan Thornton
Sam Dotson
Tony Brown, Alternate

Members Absent:

Max Boyd, Chairman, Medical Leave
Tommy Stamey
Rex Wood, Alternate

Staff Present:

Jim Edwards, IPDC
Ronald Harmon, Board Secretary

Call to Order:

Vice Chairman C.B. Edwards called the meeting to order and announced that a quorum was present.

Vice Chairman Edwards seated alternate member Tony Brown on the Board.

The next item on the agenda was approval of the August 26, 2013 meeting minutes. Motion to approve was made by Benny Stamey, second from Sam Dotson, vote taken motion carried.

The next item was approval of the agenda. Vice Chairman Edwards asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Bob Brendle, second from Dennis Whitson, vote taken motion carried.

New Cell Tower Discussion:

Ronald briefed the Board on two new cell towers that were proposed to go up in the North Cove area of the county. Ronald explained that the preliminary paperwork had been submitted and everything was in place. He further explained that the company had no intentions to request a variance and that they should be before the Board at the February meeting. Ronald asked the Board if they had any questions that needed to be asked of the company prior to their formal request. No questions were asked by Board members.

Cell Tower Legislation Discussion:

Ronald briefed the Board on legislation that had been enacted that was to help expedite the approval process for new towers. He stated that the legislation didn't have any effect on McDowell, since the approval process was pretty straight forward.

Updates and Communications

Ronald stated that he had no further updates for the Board.

With no further business Vice Chairman Edwards asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made by Arvin Hicks, seconds from Dan Thornton, vote taken motion carried, the meeting was adjourned.