



## **MINUTES**

### **Planning and Zoning Commission**

**Tuesday, April 5, 2011**  
**County Administration Building**  
**1400 Highway 180 East**  
**Silver City, New Mexico**

#### **Commissioners Present**

Alice Jones, Chair  
George Lundy  
Alexandra Perrault  
Sherry Clements  
Rodger Koest

#### **Commissioners Absent**

Nickolas Seibel

#### **Staff Present**

Peter Russell, Community Development Director  
Luan Mitchell, Planner

The meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chair Alice Jones. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A roll call of commissioners was taken and a quorum was present.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Lundy moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Clements seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Lundy moved to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2011, meeting. Commissioner Clements seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Old Business**

None

#### **Introduction of New Commissioner**

Chair Alice Jones introduced and welcomed Rodger Koest as the new commissioner.

#### **New Business**

None

### **Public Hearings**

VA 11-02 A request for a Variance to allow two flag lots in a Rural Zone where only one is allowed. The property is located at the end of Mobile Drive in the Town of Silver City and the applicant is the Town of Silver City.

Five people were sworn in for testimony. There was no ex parte communication or conflict of interest on the part of any of the commissioners. Luan Mitchell presented the staff report and Peter Russell added comments and an explanation that the permitting of the two flag lots will correct an error made by the Town in the 1990s when the Town purchased a small portion of the Slout Farm, leaving 39 acres without direct access to a dedicated road.

Bruce McKinney and Kurt Albershardt spoke about the land sale they will complete if the variance is approved. Mr. Albershardt will purchase approximately half of the 39 acres belonging to Mr. McKinney for a fruit and vegetable farm. Mr. McKinney stated he has no plans to develop the remaining portion that he owns.

Mrs. Hubble of 735 Mobile Drive testified that she was concerned about excess traffic on Mobile Road.

Commissioner Perrault moved to approve VA 11-02 with no conditions. Commissioner Lundy seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

### **Community Forum**

Mary Stoecker and Allyson Siwik of the Mayor's Climate Change Committee gave a presentation regarding the committee's mission and accomplishments so far. They noted that the committee meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 5:00 to 6:30 pm at the GRIP office on Cooper Street.

### **Reports from Commission**

None

### **Reports from Staff**

Luan Mitchell asked for suggestions for the next community forum. Defensible space against fire, water conservation, WAAG/BAG and the Trails and Open Space Committee were proposed.

### **Adjournment**

Commissioner Perrault moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Clements seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.