



KNIGHTDALE PLANNING & ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, North Carolina 27545

August 11, 2008

The Knightdale Planning & Engineering Committee met at 6:00 p.m. at the Knightdale Town Hall, 950 Steeple Square Court, Knightdale, NC.

PRESENT: Councilor Gleason and Councilor Poirier
George Hess and Brett Zick

Staff Members: Seth Lawless, Assistant Town Manager; Keith Gifford,
Town Engineer; Ken Tyndall, Code Enforcement Officer;
Shiela Hardin, Zoning Technician

I. Keith Gifford called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM.

II. Approval of July minutes

III. Water Allocation Policy Draft Amendments

The committee members reviewed comments from the last meeting and discussed existing base points. There was some discussion regarding adding additional bonus points. Keith Gifford questioned bonus points for Stormwater – Bioretention and Wetlands. He suggested those points should be no more than (5) five. Councilman Poirier encouraged onsite water collection. George Hess suggested a minimum of 1500 gallons for cisterns. Councilman Gleason to check with a company in Durham concerning the minimum capacity for cisterns. Councilman Gleason also suggested keeping structured parking at 10 bonus points.

IV. Knightdale Boulevard Crosswalk Study Roster

The committee members discussed a list of participants to investigate the feasibility of a crosswalk across Knightdale Boulevard. It was stated Mr. Reed Elmore is skeptical concerning a Knightdale Boulevard crosswalk. It was suggested to include Byron Sanders with DOT as well as citizen participant Heather Pugh. George Hess stated Mark Swan is also interested in participating in the study.

Keith Gifford suggested a hybrid design at approximately \$100 per linear foot. Keith Gifford stated the right-of-way will have to be acquired. The majority of the existing sidewalk is on the east of Smithfield Road. The costs for the western portion south of the SECU would be approximately \$75,000. Councilman Poirier commented that constructing sidewalk along the western side of Smithfield Road would be cost prohibitive. He suggested that we wait for the property at the corner of McKnight Drive and Smithfield Road to develop. The road

improvements will then be constructed at the cost of the developer. When the section of sidewalk between Carrington Drive and McKnight Drive is completed by the developer, residents of Carrington Woods will be able to access Town Hall by utilizing sidewalk on the east and west side of Smithfield Road. The Planning and Engineering Committee was in agreement with this suggestion.

V. Weekend Ordinance Enforcement

Councilman Poirier suggested speaking to businesses to inform them about weekend enforcement to give them an opportunity to correct the problem. There are concerns with reasonable enforcement and sign limitations that are fair to all businesses. The largest offenders will be notified and revisited at a later date.

VI. Other recent happenings in the Planning and Engineering Departments were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.


Committee Chairman


Attest