

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Aberdeen Appearance & Beautification Commission

January 17, 2017
Tuesday, 12:00 p.m.

Town Hall
Aberdeen, North Carolina

The Aberdeen Appearance & Beautification Commission (ABC) met on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. for their Regular Meeting. The meeting was held in Town Hall. Present were Dene Moon, Elease Goodwin, Eldiweiss Locky, Gail Clay, and Dale Streicker. Chairperson Janet Peele was absent. Others in attendance were Planning Director Pam Graham and Planners Kathy Blake and Daniel Martin.

1. Call to Order.
2. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Elease Goodwin, seconded by Gail Clay, to approve the minutes for November 15, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Other Business.

Planner Daniel Martin gave an overview of some projects he has ongoing.

- He informed the Commission that the dead holly trees on US 1 have been replaced. He said the irrigation was upgraded and is now on a timer.
- On Main St., behind Charlotte's, the irrigation also had a timer installed. He noted the tree is not in the best shape and is the only thing in the planting bed.
- Concerning the addition of backflow preventers, Mr. Martin said he worked with David Keith and that he was fast and adjusted his price. He is now looking at a second phase.
- He said, over time, other locations will be looked at.
- Gateway signs have been planted with drought tolerant landscape.
- Mr. Martin talked about the next 6 wayfinding signs. He listed the following locations:
 - Town Hall/Knight St.
 - Main St. & Blue
 - Bethesda Rd.
 - South St. & Glasgow
 - Postmasters House
 - R/R tracks at South St.

Planning Director Pam Graham talked about Spring plantings for several beds around town.

The members indicated they would like to invite Jim McRae to future meetings. Ms. Graham said she would speak with the Interim Public Works Director Harold Watts about Mr. McRae attending and also about assistance with planting bulbs.

The tree behind Charlotte's was noted as needing to be replaced and Ms. Graham indicated she would look for possible tree replacement.

Planner Martin mentioned the design charrette planned for Town Hall as a drop-in event to obtain comments on how citizens would like the Town to look.

Ms. Clay asked why no Christmas lights were placed on Main St. Members also mentioned some of the decorations that were put up needed had broken lights. Some expressed interest in Christmas banners. Comments were made that the plastic banners do not seem to be holding up very well and perhaps cloth banners should be ordered when it is time to replace banners. Ms. Graham indicated that the Planning Department would work with the Public Works Department to see what can be done about some of these items.

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pamela Graham, Planning Director

Kathy K. Blake, Secretary