Garrett County Planning Commission Minutes March 1, 2023

I. Call to order

Chairman Tony Doerr called the regular meeting of the Garrett County Planning Commission to order at 1:30 pm on March 1, 2023, in the County Commissioners Meeting Room in the Garrett County Courthouse.

II. Attendance

The following Commission members were present: Tony Doerr, Tim Schwinabart, Liz Georg, Bruce Swift and Julie Friend. Planning staff included Chad Fike.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes were approved as presented.

IV. Reports of Officers- None

V. New Business -

- a) Zoning Appeals Cases- None
- b) Smith Commercial Lot- Cynthia Smith submitted a Preliminary & Final Plat for one commercial lot on her property designated Map 36, Parcel 1 and located along New Germany Road in a Rural Resource Land Classification. The Planning Commission approved the plat by a unanimous vote contingent on issuance of the entrance permit.
- c) **Election of Officers** By a unanimous vote the Commission reelected Tony Doerr as Chairman, Jeff Conner as Vice Chairman, and Jeff Messenger as Secretary.
- d) **Cannabis Discussion** The Planning Commission had an informal discussion about the State legalizing recreational cannabis use. Mr. Fike indicated neither the Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Ordinance nor any local town zoning ordinance specifically addresses the issue. The Planning Commission would have a role in any proposed amendments to the Deep Creek Watershed Zoning Ordinance.
- VI. Next Meeting April 5, 2023

VII. Adjournment

Chairman Tony Doerr adjourned the meeting at 1:45 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Chad Fike, Assistant Director