

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MINUTES

FEBRUARY 9, 2016

At a worksession of the Orange County Board of Supervisors held on Tuesday, February 9, 2016, beginning at 4:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the Gordon Building, 112 West Main Street, Orange, Virginia. Present: S. Teel Goodwin, Vice Chairman; R. Mark Johnson; James K. White, and James P. Crozier. Absent: Lee H. Frame, Chairman. Also present: R. Bryan David, County Administrator; Thomas E. Lachenev, County Attorney; and Alyson A. Simpson, Chief Deputy Clerk.

RE: HOME OCCUPATION REGULATIONS

Josh Frederick, Planning and Zoning Director, explained that there was a desire to discuss the regulations pertaining to home occupations (i.e. a minor business conducted within a dwelling unit). He stated that the Zoning Ordinance currently classified a home occupation as an accessory use in many of the zoning districts, but establishing these types of restrictions within a definition in the Zoning Ordinance was generally poor practice. Mr. Frederick also added that the County's current definition was restrictive in its application and offered very little discretion to the Zoning Administrator when working with citizens who wanted to pursue a home occupation. He noted that staff recommended having the Board initiate Planning Commission action to review and revise the current home occupation regulations.

Discussion ensued among the Board regarding: a sensible way to allow for the citizen's intended usage of an animal incinerator; defining uses and establishing definitions; problems identified with the current home occupation regulations; proposal of using a home enterprise system as a solution; principal uses versus accessory uses; reviewing the impacts of home occupations, such as employees, traffic, parking, etc.; and levels and types of home occupations.

By consensus, the Board initiated Planning Commission action on the review and revision of the current Home Occupation regulations.

RE: PROPOSED TRASH AND DEBRIS ORDINANCE

Thomas Lachenev, County Attorney, explained that as a follow-up to the Board's previous discussion at the January 26, 2016, meeting, he had amended the draft version of the proposed trash and debris ordinance for the Board's consideration. He provided a copy of the new language to the Board, and briefly reviewed the changes that had been made.

Discussion ensued among the Board regarding: whether or not construction debris was included; differentiation between a private road and a public road; encouragement for citizens to clean up property throughout the County; and the desire to receive input from citizens on the proposed ordinance.

By consensus, the Board authorized staff to advertise for and schedule a Public Hearing regarding the proposed trash and debris ordinance on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

RE: ADJOURN

The Board concluded its Worksession and continued to its Regular Meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Lee H. Frame, Chairman

R. Bryan David, County Administrator