

TOWN OF RIB MOUNTAIN  
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING  
April 23, 2008

Chairman Tom Muellner called the meeting of the Plan Commission to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present included, Chairman Muellner, Tom Steele, Laura McGucken and Lee Benes. Christine Nykiel was excused. Kevin Mataczynski was absent. Michelle Peter and William Hebert were also present.

**MINUTES: Motion by Mr. Steele, seconded by Mr. Benes to approve the April 9, 2008 minutes. Motion carried**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:** *James Meritt appeared representing Living Color Landscapes, tenant of Trailwood Investors, requesting a Conditional Use approval per RMMC 17.056(4)(d) for an outdoor display in a Suburban Commercial District; 3404 Eagle Avenue; Pcl# 34.102807.08.02; Dkt# 08-14.* Mr. Merritt stated he would like to locate his landscaping business at this site. He noted that the majority of business will be going to sites versus retail sales. He would like piles or bins of bark, organic grass clippings, mulch and stones on site. He stated that the majority of his equipment would be housed in the existing building.

Commission members discussed pros and cons what composting could create on site due to the stream off site. Members also discussed the importance of not encroaching on adjoining properties, on site parking, storage of equipment and display of materials on site.

No one spoke in favor or against the request.

**Motion by Mr. Steele, seconded by Ms. Bradley to recommend approval of the conditional use request for an outdoor display subject to work vehicles and equipment being stored or parked south of the office, meet setback requirements of property and zoning districts and return a final draft to staff for final review of site requests. Motion carried.**

**CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** *Short term lenders – restriction; Dkt 08-16.* Some Commission member felt strongly that this issue did not belong in the zoning code nor should it be regulated by the Commission. It was suggested that more regulations could be done through licensing. The majority of members felt this matter was not a zoning issue.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE and QUESTIONS:** William Hebert presented the Commission with correspondence he received from Marathon County Zoning and Planning regarding zoning review criteria. Members felt this material could be incorporated in their decision making process.

**AJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Mr. Steele, seconded by Ms. Bradley. Motion carried.**

Meeting concluded at 8:27 p.m.

Michelle Peter  
Secretary

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