

**Minutes
Planning Meeting
August 2, 2022**

The Village of Capitan Planning Board met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2022 at the Village Hall in Capitan, New Mexico at 5:30 PM.

Diane Riska called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Roll Call: Tracy Allred – not present, Diane Riska – present, Dan Bolin – present, Basilio Castaneda (JR) – not present, Peggy Wilson – present. Al Cavazos – Village Clerk, Donna Weekley – Administrative Assistant, and Ron Lowrance – Mayor of Capitan were also present. A list of others in attendance is attached.

Item #1 on the Agenda: Approval of the Agenda.

Peggy Wilson made a motion to Approve the Agenda as presented. Dan Bolin seconded the motion.

Roll Call: All were in favor. The motion carried.

Item #2 on the Agenda: Approval of the Minutes – July 5, 2022.

Dan Bolin made a motion to Approve the Minutes. Peggy Wilson seconded the motion.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Roll Call: All were in favor. The motion carried.

Item #3 on the Agenda: Discussion/Action – Approve a New Chairperson

Peggy Wilson made a motion to Appoint Basilio Castaneda as the Chairman of the Board. Dan Bolin seconded the motion.

Roll Call: Dan Bolin – yes, Diane Riska – yes, Peggy Wilson – yes

Item #4 on the Agenda: Discussion/Action – Recommend Approval for Partial Renovations of 106 Lincoln Avenue – Brian and Pam Cleckler

Peggy Wilson made a motion to Approve the Partial Renovation of 106 Lincoln Avenue. Diane Riska seconded the motion.

Discussion: Dan Bolin is concerned that the Village does not have Planning and Zoning in place. Peggy Wilson asked if the Planning Board can put any restrictions on business operations. Mayor Lowrance explained restrictions are in the ordinances. The regional manager for the incoming business shared the Village can put restrictions in place but it cannot turn away a cannabis business. Diane Riska asked if another vote will have to be done once the renovations are complete and the business is ready to open. Mayor Lowrance said no that inspections and approvals will come through the State. Peggy Wilson shared she is totally against recreation cannabis and hates to see it come into our community. She is appalled that the government is running our village but said the Committee needs to approve the renovations. Dan asked if the Trustees could override the decision of the Planning Board. The Mayor confirmed that they can override the Planning Board decision. Peggy pointed out the only thing the

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Planning Board would be denying would be renovations and she is not comfortable denying those renovations. Diane Riska asked if the Planning Board needed to see proof of taxes being paid and was informed that is not a requirement. After this item, Dan does not want the Village to approve anymore cannabis related things until the Village has its “ducks in a row.” He feels it is irresponsible to let this happen without addressing the issues. Peggy clarified the Committee is only voting on renovations and not the type of business going into the building. Any issues they have with cannabis businesses needs to be addressed with the Board of Trustees. Diane asked if there were going to be any structural changes to the building. The regional manager said they were just putting in a bathroom and building a wall. Dan asked if the State checks for ADA compliance. Mayor Lowrance said the inspectors will come in and make sure everything is correct. **Roll Call:** Dan Bolin – yes, Diane Riska – no, Peggy Wilson – yes

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM


Basilio Castaneda (JR), Chairman

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