TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE

PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

July 18, 2024 Laws Residence

Present: Commissioners Steve Miller, Bruce Agnew, Kim Moloney and Jeremy Laws

Staff: Deputy Clerk Addie Tych and Town Engineer Stacia Schroeder

Guests: Aletha Howes (Mayor of Beaux Arts), Tom Stowe (Beaux Arts Councilmember) and Julia Morse

(Beaux Arts resident)

Commissioner Laws called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

MINUTES

<u>MOTION</u>: Commissioner Laws moved to approve the June 20, 2024 minutes. Commissioner Agnew seconded. Vote: 4 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE - for action

Town Engineer Schroeder has been working to create a draft of the Comprehensive Plan for the Commissioners to review. She noted that this Comprehensive Plan update heavy focuses on housing. Town Engineer Schroeder gave a brief overview of the newly drafted sections. She noted that there are still sections that need some work and additional data.

Susan Bogert informed the Commission that she has spent the last few months researching WABA's history. She had reviewed the draft of the Comprehensive Plan and had several minor suggestions, most of which were focused on the areas referencing WABA and trees, as well as the climate resiliency section. She went through her editing suggestions with the Commissioners and Town staff. In reviewing the edits, the Commissioners reviewed and discussed all the sections in the drafted plan. The Commissioners asked for Mrs. Bogert's edits to be incorporated into the drafted Comprehensive Plan.

MIDDLE HOUSING – for discussion

Middle housing refers to those housing types between single-family residences and mid-rise, multi-family development. During the 2023-24 legislative session, HB 1110 and HB 1337 were adopted to implement middle housing across the state. The Town has until June 2025 to adopt any new appropriate code language. The Commissioners reviewed examples of surveys that other towns have sent out to their residents. The Commissioners agreed that it would be best to hold a Middle Housing virtual open house in September once summer has ended. Prior to the virtual open house, the Town can send out an informational flyer to give residents a basic understanding of what Middle Housing is and how Beaux

Arts may be impacted by the recent legislation surrounding it. The survey can go out once the virtual open house has been held. The topic of parking and the lack of it in the town has been brought up throughout the Comprehensive Plan update discussion. The Commissioners agreed parking and commuter questions would be good to include in the survey.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Agnew voiced his concern that legislators may not have an adequate understanding of how important the need to provide for parking is, especially for places like Beaux Arts.

<u>Adjourn:</u> Commissioner Tegeler moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 pm. Commissioner Agnew seconded. Vote: 3 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The Planning Commission doesn't meet in August. The next meeting will be September 19th.

Respectfully submitted,

Addie Tych, Deputy Clerk