



PLANNING & BUILDING DEPARTMENT UPDATE

DATE: August 18, 2020
TO: McCordsville Plan Commission
FROM: Ryan Crum, Director
RE: Director's Report

Dear Commission Members:

This report is issued once a month to the Plan Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting. The intent of the report is to update the Commission on the projects and other items the Planning and Building Dept. staff is working on, as well as other Town related projects that may be of interest to Commission members. Traditionally the focus of the report is on projects, permits, etc that have occurred since your last meeting regularly scheduled meeting.

New Res. Permits: 123 YTD (14 more under-review)

Board Updates: Town Council

- Council continued discussions on the Special Events Permit and potential amendment to the Noise Ordinance
- Informal Development Proposal from Leo's Market & Eatery
- Informal Development Proposal from Southwarks
- Council accepted the final plat for Villages at Brookside, Section 13B
- Chad Gooding appointed to the Plan Commission

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- Yorkshire Landscaping's request for approval of a Special Exception was continued due to a split vote.
- Daniel's Vineyard request for approval of a Special Exception was continued so that discussions could continue.
- Refugio Palacios' request for a Special Exception was approved.

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- A presentation from McGuire Sponsel regarding Southwarks was heard.
- Commission began work on its annual updates to the Town's Economic Development Plan and the *Next Stop McCordsville* website.

Parks Board

- The Board is discussing programming and potential usage fees for the newly acquired Old School Park. The Town takes over the park January 1, 2021.
- The Board continues to discuss potential acquisition of new park properties.
- The Board has made the difficult decision to cancel this year's Christmas Tree Lighting event.

Miscellaneous

- The trail connection from Austin Trace Boulevard to Meijer has been completed. Final grading is in process.
- Town recently approved quotes for trail maintenance for various segments of the trail along Mt. Comfort Rd
- The Town in conjunction with the Coalition for Smart Growth has released RFPs for a Corridor Strategy along Mt. Comfort Road. Those RFPs are due back at the end of this week.
- A&F Engineering and Context Design is continuing to work on final deliverables for the Town Center Drainage Study.
- The Brookside Connectivity Study also continues to move forward, our current timeline anticipates beginning the public meeting process in September.
- Town staff and our consultant, Veridus Group, continue to work on next steps for Town Center. We have recently completed meeting with the three majority landowners and are working towards scheduling round-table meetings with developers.