

**Minutes of the Special Called Meeting  
Of the Design Review Commission  
Of the Town of Thompson's Station, Tennessee  
July 29, 2010**

Commission Members Present

Steve Bennett  
Wanda Bradley, Vice-Chair  
Dianne Cotton, Secretary  
Mary Khim  
Daryl Stevens, Chair

Staff Members Present

Wendy Deats, Town Planner  
Richard King, Building Codes Official  
Lisa Stewart, Town Clerk

The Special Called meeting of the Design Review Commission of the Town of Thompson's Station was called to order at approximately 2:30 p.m. on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010, at the Thompson's Station Town Hall with the required quorum.

Public notice of this meeting was advertised in the July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010 edition of the *Williamson AM* newspaper, on the Town website, and various postings in Town.

**Announcements by Staff:**

Mrs. Deats introduced the new member of the commission, Steve Bennett.

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Mrs. Deats noted that construction is underway for the BP / Serv N Go # 8 (A & D Market).

**Minutes:**

The minutes of the May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 meeting were previously submitted and approved upon a motion by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Cotton; and passed unanimously.

**Old Business:**

There was none at this time.

**Item 1 - Hoodoo Distillery** for the development of a distillery, visitors center, gift store and other retail buildings to be located at the northeast corner of Les Watkins and Harpeth School Road.

Mrs. Deats reviewed the report, noting that Staff will set up a pre-installation meeting with the applicant to ensure that the landscaping does not conflict with the existing vegetation and is appropriate to the site.

The following persons were in attendance to represent the project:

Frank Coyle, Hoodoo Spirits CEO;  
Laura Coyle, Hoodoo Spirits Design Consultant;  
Heath Clark, Hoodoo Spirits Chief Operating Officer;  
Don Johnson, General Contractor; and  
Adam Seger, with Dale & Associates.

Chair Stevens asked if the buildings to be constructed first will be the distillery and the visitors center. Mr. Coyle replied that the first priority will be the distillery with construction of the visitors center as time allows.

Commissioner Bradley asked about water features; and Mr. Coyle agreed that flowing water would be an ideal feature for visitors, and pending costs, have planned a footbridge crossing a man-made creek.

Commissioner Khim questioned the parking and if it will be black top. Mrs. Deats noted that there are no specific surface requirements at this point, but she has been told it will be pea gravel. Mr. Johnson stated that the area designated for handicap parking will be a secure, hard surface that must comply with ADA standards.

Discussion continued relating to the following:

- picnic area – to be designed to encourage families to picnic;
- bike / walk paths;
- possibly a chapel – for music, entertainment, fund raisers;
- sewer versus septic;
- color scheme / roof color – silver / grey metal roof with an aged-look, natural stone, some roofs with the look of cedar shakes, use of reclaimed barn wood, and other materials relating closely with the expression of nature; and
- pet area – well presented.

Chair Stevens stated that he liked the look and design presented, adding that this will set a precedent for the Town, and he appreciates what the applicant(s) has done.

Commissioner Khim agreed, saying that she is impressed with all of it. She did ask if a public restroom will be provided in the gift shop. Mrs. Coyle noted that one is being considered for the shop workers and pointed out the bank of restrooms for the public.

The following trees were suggested for various screening, canopy / shade, and native to the area:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Maple  | <input type="checkbox"/> Oak      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bald Cypress   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tulip Poplar | <input type="checkbox"/> Magnolia | <input type="checkbox"/> Weeping Willow |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogwood      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hickory  |   |

**After further discussion, Commissioner Khim made a motion to accept and approve the submitted architecture and landscaping plan, with the above noted trees to be considered. Commissioner Stevens seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.**

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:30 p.m.

  
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Daryl Stevens, Chair

Attest:

  
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~~Dianne Cotton~~, Secretary  
Mary Khim

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