

Town of Cumberland Gap
Historic Zoning Commission
Cumberland Gap, TN
July 13, 2021

The Historic Zoning Commission met in regular session, on July 13, 2021 with the meeting being called to order at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall building, 330 Colwyn, Cumberland Gap, and TN. (The regular session on July 7, 2021 was rescheduled due to no quorum).

Members present included Cindy Evans, Doug Fitts, and Jerry Hopson, Kathy Maxwell, Steve Moore, and John Ravnum. Members absent were: Tammy Debrot.

There was a motion to approve the minutes by Kathy Maxwell and seconded by Doug Fitts. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was an update on 601 Pennlyn Street. The deadline for appeal in the Steve Clouse case has expired with no legal recourse from the plaintiff.

The committee then moved on to a proposed zoning amendments for the C-1 and C-1 A districts. The C-1 and C-1 A districts would be clearly defined for the residential properties that currently exist in the zone and building requirements for a resident. All existing residential properties are “grandfathered in” which makes them compliant with codes. It also includes the definitions and requirements for an Event and Meeting Facility, and amends parking regulations. Mayor Pucciarelli explained that the HZC is the overlay of the zones and all those who wish to build, in the Historic District, will still be required to come before the HZC for approval.

Bill Collinsworth, prior to the meeting, submitted drawings for a Little Free Library he is interested in constructing and placing on a private lot downtown Colwyn Street. The small structure will have a roof, a door, and bookshelves inside. Readers will be able to sit by the creek and enjoy a good book or drop off their used books to be enjoyed by others.

John Ravnum made a motion to approve the library, with a second by Steve Moore. The motion was approved unanimously.

Steve Moore submitted a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) to replace the roof (with similar color) on his building located at 410 Colwyn Street. John Ravnum made a motion to approve the COA, with a second by Kathy Maxwell. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mayor Pucciarelli told the board that the National Park is considering the possibility of constructed a cell phone tower on park property in Cumberland Gap.

The date of the next meeting is Tuesday August 3, 2021 @7:00 p.m.

A motion to adjourn was made by John Ravnum, and seconded by Doug Fitts. The motion was approved unanimously.

Chairman, HZC