

**HOLLIDAYSBURG BOROUGH JOINT MEETING
HOLLIDAYSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION
AND
COUNCIL PLANNING & ORDINANCE COMMITTEES
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2010, AT 6:30 P.M.**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Planning Commission Chair Pat Baechle, who presided. Present: Planning Commission Members Steve Martz; Paul Plummer and Jane Sheffield. Council Committee Members present: President John P. Stultz, Jr.; Joe Pompa; John Brenner and Amy Webster Sill (6:45). Also present: Borough Manager Mark Schroyer; Community Development Director Ethan Imhoff and Borough Secretary Ann Andrews.

The purpose of the workshop/meeting was to discuss the current parking and landscape ordinances and to develop new guidelines that would be less restrictive than what currently exists.

Mr. Imhoff stated that staff has been reviewing ordinances from other communities and there are some solutions that would require minimal effort and other solutions that would require a longer term commitment from Council and staff. Mr. Imhoff suggested the Hollidaysburg Community Partnership be included in future discussions since any proposed changes will directly affect current and future businesses.

Following a very comprehensive discussion, it was the consensus of the group that staff should survey business owners about parking demand from their customers in comparison to what they are currently required to provide by the ordinance and create our own model ordinance.

Due to time constraints with several of the members, discussion on the landscaping will be discussed at the next meeting. Staff was asked to schedule a meeting after the first of the year to continue discussions on the new parking plan.

Once the new guidelines for parking and landscaping are developed, the Commission and the Committees will meet to discuss the signage and lighting requirements.

Chairman Baechle adjourned the joint meeting at 7:30 p.m.