

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
March 9, 2026**

**MEMBERS AND TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT**

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Present were Commission Members Marion Chance, Bob Jensen, Alicia Dodd, JP Griffin Jr. Others in attendance were Town Planner, Sarah Franklin, and Kyle Ambrose, Town Administrator.

**1. Call to Order**

Commission Member Marion Chance called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

The Commission approved the minutes of the February 2, 2026, meeting as written.

**3. Current Business: Cannabis Legislation**

Town Planner, Sarah Franklin, addressed Cannabis Legislation to the Planning Commission for review. In 2024 and 2025 Maryland passed restrictions on local government's ability to prohibit cannabis dispensaries from locating within their jurisdictions. Church Hill is required to update their zoning ordinance to comply with this state law.

Commission Member Marion Chance made a motion to forward the required Cannabis Legislation to the Town Commissioners. Commission Member JP Griffin Jr seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Unfinished Business:**

- Accessory Dwelling Units
  - The Town Planner, Sarah Franklin, reviewed Senate Bill 36 regarding Accessory Dwelling Unit Legislation and the impacts it could potentially create within small municipalities. Sarah Franklin advised that the parking study for the Town needs to be done by October 2026.

**7. Adjournment:** Commission Member Alicia Dodd made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commission Member Bob Jensen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 6:43 pm.

**Next Planning Commission Meeting will be May 11, 2026, at 6:00 pm.**