

Area Planning Commission

Minutes January 8, 2020

6:00 P.M.

**President Marvin Rees called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.**

**Roll Call:** Present were Ralph Adams, Kelly Land, Tom Monka, Phil Shanahan, Ben Wicker, and Marvin Rees. Also present was attorney Jeff Wesling and Executive Director Gregg Duke. Absent was Bruce Levi, Mary Richardson, and Jeff Slaton.

**Approval of Minutes: December 4, 2019** Mr. Rees asked for additions or corrections to the December 4, 2019 minutes. Hearing none Mr. Rees asked for approval. Mr. Wicker motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Adams. Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote.

**New Business:**

1. Mr. Rees asked members to approve the remainder of the 2020 calendar for the APC meeting schedule. Mr. Shannahan motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Wicker. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.
2. **APC 2019-45** Robert and Jennifer Winters and agent Andy Scholle are requesting secondary approval for a subdivision located at 6 1st/East Street in Ripley Township (Carthage) Parcel # 70-02-19-139-009.000-009 Gregg read staff findings of fact and noted Variances were approved by the BZA on January 8, 2020 for a lot size less than 8,000 square feet, a front lot width less than 70 feet, and a sideyard less than 10 feet. Staff recommendation was for approval. Mr. Rees called for a motion. Mr. Shanahan motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Land. Voice vote for secondary approval was unanimous.
3. **APC 2019-43** Charles and Mary Justice and Daryl and Lynda Raab are requesting secondary approval for a subdivision located at 3337 S. 725 West in Walker Township. Gregg read staff findings of fact and noted Variances were approved by the BZA on January 8, 2020 for a lot size less than 40 acres, and a front lot width less than 250 feet. Staff recommendation was for approval. Mr. Rees called for a motion. Mr. Monka motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Adams. Voice vote for secondary approval was unanimous.

4. **APC 2019-47** Eakins Family Trust and Trustee Carolyn Meyer are requesting a subdivision located at 2914 W 450 North in Jackson Township. Gregg read staff findings of fact and noted Variances should be required by the BZA for a lot sizes less than forty acres, and front yard setback of less than 100 feet. Staff recommendation was for approval. Andy Murray gave a brief description. After limited discussion and no public input. Mr. Rees called for a motion. Mr. Adams motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Shannahan. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.
  
5. **APC 2019-50** RNP LLC and Agent Andy Scholle are requesting a two-lot subdivision located at 3609 East Orange Pike in Noble Township. Gregg read staff findings of fact and noted Variances should be required by the BZA for a lot size less than forty acres, and a front lot width less than 250 feet. Staff recommendation was for approval. Andy Scholle gave a brief presentation. After limited discussion and no public input. Mr. Rees called for a motion. Mr. Land motioned to approve, seconded by Mr. Adams. Voice vote for approval was unanimous.
  
6. **APC 2019-48** changes to the Wireless Telecommunications Facilities, Rush County Zoning section 6.3, and include Special Exception exclusions for Public Broadband Providers, and exceptions for certain towers used for the reception of Public Broadcasts. Since this ordinance change had been discussed in prior meetings, Gregg displayed the changes with a quick overview and asked if the Board had any questions. Mr. Shannahan asked if this change would apply in any other sections of the ordinance. Gregg responded it would not. Hearing no further questions or comments Mr. Rees asked for public comment. Upon hearing no public input Mr. Rees asked what the Board would like to do with this ordinance change. Mr. Wicker motioned to give a favorable recommendation, seconded by Mr. Land. Voice vote to give favorable recommendation was unanimous.
  
7. **2018 Election of officers** Mr. Rees called for election of officers. Mr. Wicker nominated the same slate of officers as is currently (Marvin Rees for President and Jeff Slayton for Vice President, and Gregg Duke as Secretary), seconded by Mr. Adams. Voice vote for keeping the same slate of officers was unanimous.

**Old Business:**

Gregg asked if the Board would like to discuss changes in the A-3 district. Members suggested that too many members were absent.

**Reports:**

Attorney: Nothing

Director: Nothing

**Adjournment** Mr. Rees asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion by Mr. Shannhan to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Adams. Voice vote to adjourn was unanimous.

Minutes approved February 12, 2020

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President - Marvin Rees

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Secretary – Gregg Duke