

City of West Branch Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes for August 13, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm by Chairman Lucynski

Roll Call – Present – Kara Fachting, Rusty Showalter, Chris Powley, Bob David, Mike Jackson and Cori Lucynski (Ken Kish – resigned)

Frank Goodroe, City Manager and John Dantzer, City Clerk was also present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearings – None

Additions to Agenda – Code Enforcement report, 13 Ways to Kill Your Community, Flags and their content, Marijuana opt-out and Annexations and 425's

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes –

Motion by Mike Jackson, second by Bob David to approve the minutes.

Ayes – All.

Site Plans – None

Sign Permits – None

Motion

Unfinished Business – Final Zoning Ordinance Draft

Mike Jackson stated he still has concerns about the future land use regarding the 7 acres of GB on Valley St/Griffin St. After a brief discussion the Commission decided to change the zoning to Industrial to match the tax bill.

Motion by Mike Jackson, second by Rusty Showalter to send the final draft of the Zoning map to Denise Cline. Ayes - All

New Business – None

Communications –

- 1.) Ken Kish sent a letter of resignation that was accepted by the City Council.
- 2.) Blight and vacant land for smaller cities. Educational reading from the city Manager.
- 3.) Code Enforcement report. Commission will receive monthly.

- 4.) Book, 13 Ways to Kill Your Community. Please read as an educational forum per city Manager.
- 5.) Flags and Content. Limiting flags used in parades to the content the participants can present during the parades. Size needs to be limited also.
- 6.) Marijuana Opt-Out. Discussed locations where zoning would work best for this type of business.

Reports and/or Comments

City Manager, Frank Goodroe, discussed annexations, available through petition with the State and could become confrontational and 425 Plan, two units of government together serving one piece of land. He also welcomed Rusty Showalter and Chris Powley to the Planning Commission and thanked them for being ready to work and learn.

Chairman Report – None

Member Reports –

Jackson – None

David – Thanks to Rusty and Chris for joining the Commission.

Fachting – None

Showalter – Thank you for allowing me to be on the Commission.

Powley – Discussed a grant Calumet received called a SRTS grant which stands for Safe Route To Schools. The city Manager stated he has a meeting coming up with the school Superintendent to discuss this topic.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:06pm per Chairman Lucynski

Meeting minutes taken and typed by Kara Fachting