

**MERRILLVILLE PLAN COMMISSION MEETING**  
**March 18, 2014**  
**6:30 PM**

President Shawn Pettit called the Meeting of the Merrillville Plan Commission of March 18, 2014 at 6:36 PM to order and led the group in the Pledge of the Allegiance. Members in attendance were Mr. Holtz, Mr. Spann here, Mrs. Krafft absent, Mr. Widing here, Mrs. Palmateer here, Mr. Dering and Mr. Pettit here. Staff present was Dorinda Gregor, Attorney Touchette and Sedrick Green, Robinson Engineering.

President Pettit said we have 6 out of 7 present.

**MINUTES:** December 17, 2013

Mr. Widing made a motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2013, seconded by Don Spann  
Voice vote was approved 6-0 with 1 absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**P2rS-0314 KEOUGH ENTERPRISES, LLC., PETITIONER & OWNER**, Located at 2042 E 88<sup>th</sup> Drive for a subdivision of Lot 1 in South Ridge Park on 2.95 acres in an M-2, Limited Industrial Corridor Overlay District and M-1 Limited Industrial zoning district (Lot 1A-1.77 Acres + Lot 1B-1.18) for proposed 1 additional lot for future industrial development to be located in the M-1 zoning district.

Richard Anderson 9211 Broadway Merrillville. Basically we have two lots this is South 89<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Each of the lots meet the requirements of the zoning district that it is in. There is one acre for this one and then we got a variance from the BZA for the 1.77 acres in the M-2. Basically so it is a two lot subdivision so that is all in regards to the subdivision. With regards to the building because you asked about it last time.

This is what the proposed building on the first lot would look like with the office building pushed up against 89<sup>th</sup> Avenue and then their warehouse, etc back there and then the wood fence. That all went through the BZA and will still go to the landscaped committee but that is later as part of the building permit.

President Pettit asked Mr. Anderson if he could pass the rendering around. Can you bring that up. I don't know if everyone wants to see that. I or Brian had asked for that. Are there any questions of Mr. Anderson? It is pretty straight forward.

Mr. Dering asked what do you think about it it is in your Ward.

President Pettit said I don't have a problem with it. If there are no comments from the members Dorinda would you like to read the comments into the record.

Mrs. Gregor read here staff report.

Mr. Widing made a motion for approval.

Mr. Span seconded the motion.

President Pettit said we have a motion to approve by Mr. Widing and a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Spann. Just a couple of follows Richard seeing the rendering. What is the front of the building do we need to have is he in the over lay Dorinda where it has to be a certain material.

Mrs. Gregor said on the 1-A lot he will have to meet that code.

President Pettit said that is a masonry front Richard.

Mr. Anderson said up to the part where the warehouse is.

President Anderson said Bill and I were looking at the elevation and I wanted to make sure everybody understood.

Mr. Anderson showed all the details from his rendering.

President Pettit said the rendering that you are showing are brick.

Mrs. Gregor said they have to adhere to the M-2 code.

President Pettit asked about Lindco have...

Mrs. Gregor said Lindco is in the M-1 zoning district.

President Pettit said they have brick on the front. Like half way up.

Mr. Anderson said Gough is in the M-1 and it is all brick.

President Pettit asked if there are any other questions. Mr. Secretary roll call.

Mr. Holtz yes, Mr. Spann yes, Mrs. Krafft absent, Mr. Widing aye, Mrs. Palmateer yes, Mr. Dering aye and Mr. Pettit yes.

President Pettit said motion carries 6-0.

Mr. Anderson replied Thank you very much.

President Pettit said there is no other business.

Mr. Dering said quick question. I have notice numerous trucks not associated with Meijer's in the parking lot overnight. I am saying 5:30 in the morning on the weekends even. I don't know if they are sleeping.

Mrs. Gregor said I am not for sure but there may be some kind of construction going on there.

Mr. Dering said car carriers not fords for next door. Any kind of trucks moving vans it just seems to be right in back of the gas station that they are starting to park there again.

Mr. Widing made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Spann.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM

Respectfully submitted  
Janet Rosko