

PULASKI COUNTY ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 27, 2014

COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM:

Present: David Bennett, Lawrence Loehmer, Jim Thompson, Rick Stone, Chad Rushing, Jay Sullivan:

Advisory non-voting members: Nate Origer, Director: CDC: David Dare: Building Commissioner: David Weber, Assistant, Building & Zoning Department

Absent: Darin Wagner, Terry Young, Matt Rausch:

Visitors: Attached:

Call To Order: President Bennett called the meeting to order at 7: 00.

Approval of Agenda: Upon a motion by Mr. Stone with a second from Mr. Loehmer, Board members voted 5 – 0 to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes: Upon a motion by Mr. Rushing with a second from Mr. Loehmer, Commission members voted 5 – 0 to approve the September minutes.

Old Business:

- **Zoning Ordinance Revision Update:** Mr. Origer asked Commission who among them would be interested in meeting with Ratio officials for our initial meeting in mid November. Mr. Bennett said he would attend. Mr. Dare & Mr. Weber both indicated they would attend as well. Mr. Dare added that Mr. Young would attend as commissioner representative. Members were asked to provide their input to zoning ordinance revisions to either Mr. Origer or Mr. Weber. Mr. Origer stated he will also ask Monterey officials if they plan to attend this initial meeting.

- **Update: Larry Sears Building:** Mr. Dare reported that demolition has been completed on the rear structure, but that the debris has yet to be hauled away, though Ron Wireman (contractor) has removed his excavating equipment.

- **BEP Update:** Mr. Weber stated that the Building & Zoning Department has been awarded one hundred forty seven thousand dollars from the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority for demolition and end use development of seven properties. Discussion ensued about removing properties from the tax rolls. Mr. Weber stated that as a part of the grant program, these demolished properties will be re-developed.

- **Vacant House List:** President Bennett asked about any blighted/abandoned houses in the Francesville area. Mr. Weber responded that the Building & Zoning Department has not received any complaints about abandoned houses in the Francesville area. Mr. Origer asked whether the County Building & Zoning Department has jurisdiction to issue an Unsafe Building Order in the town of Francesville, since Francesville administers its own zoning ordinance. The consensus seemed to be that such orders would need to originate from the Francesville Plan Administrator.

Mr. Bennett asked about abandoned homes in river camps and who and under what conditions can an individual build in a Flood Plain. Mr. Dare explained the restrictions for being able to build in a Flood Plain and that the Department of Natural Resources has jurisdiction over such matters.

New Business:

- Mr. Dare raised the idea of the County posting signs at the various county lines indicating that Pulaski County is a zoned county. No action was taken on this.
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Other Business:

- Mr. Origer asked Mr. Thompson if he intends to fill a full four year term commencing Jan.1, as he has been filling the term vacated by Kathi Thompson. He stated he was unsure and would inform Mr. Weber next month.
- Mr. Bennett said he has approached Doug McKinley, a local businessman about his interest in replacing him when his term expires at the end of the year. Mr. Bennett stated he would inform Mr. Weber when he has an answer from Mr. McKinley.
- Mr. Rushing announced he is resigning from the Plan Commission as he is moving to St. Louis very shortly to take a new position. The Purdue Extension Board will need to appoint a replacement. Mr. Origer said he reviewed the Indiana Code and found that the Extension Board can appoint an interim member for a term of up to one year until a permanent replacement is found.
- **Public Comment:** None

Motion to Adjourn: Upon a motion by Mr. Rushing with a second from Mr. Sullivan, Commission members voted 6 – 0 to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Next Meeting: Monday November 24, 2014 @ 7:00 PM in the Commissioners Meeting Room

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by David Weber, Secretary, Advisory Plan Commission.