

PULASKI COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: MEETING MINUTES:

NOVEMBER 24, 2014: COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM

WINAMAC, INDIANA 46996

PRESENT: Rick Stone, Matt Rausch, Pam Chumley, Bud Krohn, Jr:

Non- voting members: Nate Origer, Director, Pulaski Community
Development Commission: David Dare, Building Commissioner: David Weber,
Building & Zoning Department

ABSENT: Jim Kuiper

VISITORS: Attached

CALL TO ORDER: Vice President Stone called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA:

Upon a motion by Mr. Rausch with a second from Mr. Krohn, Board members voted
4 – 0 to approve the agenda.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES:

Upon a motion by Mr. Krohn with a second from Ms. Chumley, Board members
Voted 4 – 0 to approve the October 2014 meeting minutes.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 2015 CALENDAR: Discussion ensued about how often to meet in 2015. Months without a public hearing scheduled have historically resulted in very light agendas. A consensus seem to form that quarterly meetings were too infrequent. Upon a motion then by Mr. Rausch with a second from Mr. Krohn, Board members voted 4 – 0 to hold regularly scheduled meetings on the odd numbered months in 2015 and to reserve the even numbered months for public hearings.
- RULES OF PROCEDURE: Mr. Weber asked Board members if they had reviewed suggested changes to the rules of procedure. He stated there were several areas where the Building & Zoning Department staff are not in compliance with the rules, for example, requiring petitioners for public hearings to both pay a deposit for a sign and display it on their property prior to a public hearing. Board members indicated they had received the document with suggested changes but had not reviewed them fully. No action was taken on the matter.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Update on Zoning Ordinance Revisions: Mr. Origer updated Board members on the recent phone conference with RATIO staff including the tentative timetable between now and mid-April when RATIO plans to present the completed draft to the Plan Commission. A number of specific items in the current ordinance were raised as illustrations where and how the ordinance needs to be revised. A major deficiency in the current ordinance is the inclusion of the definitions in a separate manual. This, the Wind Energy and Sub-Division ordinances will all be included in the Unified Development Ordinance.
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- OTHER BUSINESS:

- Bud Krohn is resigning his position as BZA member following his election as County Commissioner earlier this month. Plan Commission staff were asked if they had developed a pool of potential replacements. Mr. Weber responded that he is maintaining a list of potential candidates, although he has not spoken with them to explore their interest in this position. It was mentioned that the Indiana Code allows for the appointment of one alternate. Board members agreed that an alternate was necessary to ensure a quorum at each meeting.
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- PUBLIC COMMENT:

Terry Young commented that at the time the present Zoning Ordinance was adopted, has been a commissioner at that time, he would not have voted for its adoption. He stated there was insufficient opportunity for public input.

- **MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Upon a motion by Mr. Rausch with a second from Mr. Krohn, Board members voted 4 - 0 to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:52 PM.
 - **NEXT MEETING:** MONDAY JANUARY 26 @ 6:00 pm: Commissioners meeting room:
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Minutes respectfully submitted by David Weber, Secretary, Pulaski Co. Board of Zoning Appeals: