

BENTON ZONING AND PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

MARCH 1, 2017

The Benton Zoning and Planning Commission's regular business meeting was called to order by Chairman Cockrum at 6:05 pm on Wednesday, March 1, 2017, in the council chambers of the Benton Municipal Building at 1403 South Main Street. Roll Call: Cockrum, Neal, Bowlin, Collier, Payne-Hubler. Absent: McGuire, Severin. Also present: David Garavalia, Zoning Administrator.

Motion made by Collier and seconded by Bowlin to approve minutes of the regular business meeting of February 1, 2017. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.

Under new business discussion of variance submitted by Mincon Rockdrills USA, Inc. Motion made by Payne-Hubler and seconded by Neal to recommend to the city council to accept the variance as presented as it met criteria of zoning code 40-8-6(G). Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.

Under old business, presentation by Tom Malkovich on manufactured housing. Discussion of need to clarify definitions as well as clarity for the public. Mr. Malkovich answered concerns voiced by Rocky Morris. Payne-Hubler made a motion to form a committee to study this issue as well as to update the ordinance and seconded by Neal. Committee members to be: Mr. Cockrum, Mr. Collier, Ms. Payne-Hubler. Mr. Garavalia to act as advisor for the committee. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.

Also under old business, GIS mapping discussed. Mr. Garavalia to check with Shawnee Professional Services. Also under old business, the "Mendenhall Building" was discussed. Mr. Garavalia reported he had gotten no response from the owner after several attempts to contact.

Terms of commission members Neal and Severin discussed. Mr. Garavalia to check with Mayor Kondritz regarding progress.

Discussion of officers for one year terms. Payne-Hubler made the motion to elect Mr. Cockrum chairman and was seconded by Neal. Vote: Ayes: Neal, Bowlin, Collier, Payne-Hubler. Abstain: Cockrum.

Payne-Hubler made the motion to elect Mr. Collier as vice-chairman and was seconded by Cockrum. Vote: Ayes: Cockrum, Neal, Bowlin, Payne-Hubler. Abstain: Collier.

Neal made the motion and was seconded by Cockrum to elect Payne-Hubler as secretary. Vote: Ayes: Cockrum, Neal, Bowlin, Collier. Abstain: Payne-Hubler.

Discussion of annual report to city council. Motion made by Collier and seconded by Bowlin to accept the annual report. It will be presented at the next

city council meeting. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.

Next regular business meeting scheduled for April 5, 2017, at 6:00 pm.

Having no further business, a motion was made by Payne-Hubler and seconded by Bowlin to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 pm. Vote: Ayes: 5 Nays: 0.



Coy Lockrum, Chairman



Julie Payne-Hubler, Secretary