Minutes of Benton Zoning and Planning Commission meeting held on June 2, 2021.

Chairman Victor Shockley opened meeting at 6 PM, roll call was done with V. Shockley, C. Cockrum, G. Collier and D. Garavalia present; and minutes of April 7, 2021 were reviewed and accepted by Coy Cockrum and seconded by Garrett Collier.

New members Paula Arpasi and Theresa Bates were welcomed, and discussion was held as to Kyle Neal's status on board- it was decided that David Garavalia would contact him and request resignation in writing.

Julie had resigned at the City Council meeting held on April 12th and the City Council voted with acceptance on April 26th, 2021.

NEW BUSINESS:

Chairman is Victor Shockley; Vice Chair is needed along with Secretary. After discussion, Coy Cockrum accepted position of Vice Chair and Theresa Bates accepted position of Secretary. The motion passed with no objections.

The position of secretary includes the preparation of minutes of previous meeting, which are sent along with the agenda for the upcoming meeting to Dave Garavalia for posting on City Hall door. A second copy is sent to Brooke Craig, City Clerk to be uploaded to website. This needs to be completed at least 48 hours prior to the meeting date. Garrett Collier will provide Theresa with copies of documents in email format to assist in preparation for duties.

Discussion was held as to duties of Board, that we are an advisory entity to the City Council as it relates to special use permits and other matters. They can accept or decline our advice.

Chair Shockley advised that the recommendation of the Zoning and Planning Commission would be to notify the City Council of two vacancies. David will present to the Council that Jonathan Neace should be appointed to fill a vacancy. Coy Cockrum made the motion to accept this recommendation with a second by Theresa Bates, passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Replat of Lake Benton by R. Kathalynas was approved by City Council; Northern lot (Lot 7) was not completed by Weston family due to right of way issue; pole barn by Gollier family was not done but was placed in their back yard.

There are no pending building permits and there is a house being built on McKinley St by Bill Walker.

Dave has been putting out overgrown grass signs in community and cutting yards where needed.

MISC BUSINESS:

The signs used for spotlight award (business and personal) were located and are in temporary storage with T. Bates. The suggestion was made by Chair to recognize Julie and Stan for their home during July.

The status of Menhall building was given and Dave is planning a surplus sale of both real estate and surplus property for Sept 18th, 2021. A resolution must be put in paper 3 times and 30 days' notice is needed.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

Discussion about upcoming court hearing for ordinance violation was held in order to provide details to members of board.

Chair Shockley thanked Paula and Theresa for joining the Board and the meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm

Next meeting to be held on July 7th 2021 at 6 pm.

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