

Starke County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
October, 21, 2009

Attendance: Butch Ritchie, president & citizen member; Lee Nagai, vice president & citizen member (arrived at 6:40 p.m.); Daniel Bridegroom, commissioner; Judy Benninghoff, council person; Dennis Estok, surveyor; Byron Walters, trustee; Jack Hudgens & Richard Singleton, citizen members; Steven A. Dodge, commission counsel & Pamla J. Starkey, recording secretary. There were (2) two visitors present.

1. Approval of the minutes of the September 16, 2009 regular meeting: Mrs. Benninghoff made a motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Walters. Motion carried (7-0)
2. New Business
 - a) Monthly Reports; Mr. Ritchie read the reports aloud to the board members.
 - b) Kenny Jones was present to represent Wightman & Petrie for the Koontz Lake Clean Water Sewer Plant. Mr. Jones explained to the board that they are going to rezone the property from R2 to LI and then go before the BZA for a conditional use. Mr. Nagai suggested to treat the project as a Planned Unit Development instead and it would involve only one public hearing. After discussion it was decided that the Tech Committee will meet with Kenny Jones, Wightman & Petrie on Thursday, October 29, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. in the office or the meeting room. The members that volunteered to be on the Tech Committee were Mr. Nagai, Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Bridegroom, and Mr. Estok. Mr. Dodge was asked to attend the meeting.
3. Old Business
 - a) Manufactured Housing Ordinance: Mr. Dodge will have the ordinance ready for the commissioners to sign at their next meeting.
 - b) Dog Kennel Ordinance: After discussion and changes made to the draft language of the dog kennel ordinance that was submitted, Mr. Singleton made a motion to hold a public hearing next month, November 18, 2009, seconded by Mr. Nagai. Motion carried (8-0). Mr. Hudgens is to get Mr. Dodge some information that he has on file.
 - c) Confined Animal Feeding Operations: After discussion, Mr. Hudgens made a motion to send the CAFO ordinance to the Tech Committee and the Board of Zoning Appeal Members to review, seconded by Mr. Nagai. Motion carried (8-0). Mr. Nagai invited the board members to visit his operation and maybe they could include that into the Tech Committee meeting.
4. Violations
 - a) Michael & Barbara McEachern, 101 N. Broadway, San Pierre, Unsafe Building; Mrs. Starkey let the board know that the building is more secure and they are working on it.

Mr. Nagai made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Bridegroom. Motion carried (8-0).

This meeting was taped and will be on file in the Starke County Planning Commission Office. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

Pamla J. Starkey
Recording Secretary