

Starke County Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting  
February 15, 2012

Attendance: Donald White, vice president & citizen member; Denise Marks, executive secretary & citizen member; Daniel Bridegroom, commissioner; Judy Benninghoff, councilwoman; Dennis Estok, surveyor; Steven A. Dodge, commission counsel; Bruce W. Williams, administrator/building commissioner; and Pamla J. Starkey, clerk secretary. There were 0 visitors present.

1. Approval of the minutes of the January 18, 2012 meeting; Mr. Estok made the motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Mrs. Benninghoff. Motion carried (5-0)
2. Old Business
  - a) Bids for the demolition of the Unsafe building owned by Vernon & Auglee Hammond: Mr. Williams stated that we have not received any bids as of today. Mr. Dodge stated that Mr. Ward Allen called him and said that he is working on getting the property into his name. Mr. Dodge told Mr. Allen that he needs to get the property into his name and make the structure and property safe as soon as possible. Mr. Estok stated that he has a lot of names of contractors that we could write letters to get estimates for the demolition also state in the letter that they have to have documentation of the disposal of materials. The board agreed with Mr. Estok's suggestion.
  - b) Tape from the June 16, 2010 meeting regarding the 2011 budget for extra help: The tape was played for the board.
3. Violations
  - a) James Bailey, Mr. Bailey's son came in and stated that he will get the paperwork together by next week. Mr. Williams told him that he would give him until the next meeting, March 21, 2012 to get everything together.
  - b) Lynda & Anna Kolasa, Mr. Dodge stated that the first letter came back, undeliverable, he then sent the letter to the P.O. box in Merrillville. Mr. Williams stated that he has not heard anything from them. After discussion by the board, Mrs. Benninghoff made a motion to give them until next meeting to respond, seconded by Mrs. Marks. Motion carried (5-0)
  - c) C & C Salvage & Auto Sales, Mr. Dodge was to talk to Mr. Starks, James Campbells attorney, but did not get a hold of him. Mr. Dodge said that he will definitely call Mr. Starks and Mr. Williams stated that he will call IDEM, he also stated that we need a storm water management ordinance. Mr. Dodge said that he will tell Mr. Starks that Mr. Campbell needs to get the proper permit for the expansion from Mr. Williams and the proper permit from IDEM. After discussion, Mr. Estok made a motion to put a stop work order on the property until all permits are applied for and approved, seconded by Mrs. Benninghoff. Motion carried (5-0)
4. End of the month reports: The board looked over the reports.

There was discussion regarding Koontz Lake Regional Sewer District, Sysco Plant, and the Bass Lake Beach.

There was also discussion regarding Chesapeake Subdivision. Mr. Bridegroom stated the owners of the subdivision would like the county to take over the improved streets. Mr. Williams stated that they would have to go before the board to amend the subdivision.

With no further business Mr., Benninghoff made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mrs. Marks. Motion carried (5-0) Meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Starke County Planning Commission office. The

next scheduled meeting will be held on March 21, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Pamla J. Starkey  
clerk secretary