

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Marion Planning Commission held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on April 10, 2023 at 5:15 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Cameron Wolfe, Vice Chairperson Kimberly Austin, Bob Ramsey, Jim Barker, Trey White, Alice Freeman. Planning Commissions Members; Director of Engineering/IT/Zoning Administrator Todd Long, Town Attorney Mark Fenyk and Deputy Clerk Paula Null.

**ABSENT:** Ben Reedy

**VISITORS:** Melissa Clair

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Cameron Wolfe

**DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:** As the meeting was called to order with 5 voting members present, the Commission has a quorum.

**AGENDA:** Upon motion of Mr. Ramsey, seconded by Mr. Barker and a vote of 5 AYES and 0 NOES, the agenda was approved as distributed.

**MINUTES:** Upon motion of Mrs. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Ramsey and a vote of 5 AYES and 0 NOES, minutes of the meeting on March 13, 2023 were approved as written. Messrs Wolfe, Austin, White, Freeman, Ramsey and Barker voted affirmatively.

**PUBLIC PRESENTATION:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mrs. Freeman was concerned about insulation blowing everywhere at the bowling alley. Todd has spoken with the demo workers and they assured him everything was being put securely in dumpsters.

**BAUD PROJECT:** There have been two properties that have been torn down. Discussions took place about future demos for blighted properties.

**REVISION AND RECODIFICATION OF ZONING LAWS:** Mr. Long would like for the town code to be easier for people to read and understand. It was suggested that Planning Commission go through the town code every three years. Mr. Long would like the zoning laws to reflect what may come up in the future. Mr. Wolfe suggested making a commentary as they proceed in future discussions. Mr. Long spoke with other towns in regards to camping on public land. Currently there is not much verbiage from the other towns he spoke with. There is a public hearing scheduled for April 17, 2023 to discuss the town codes verbiage.

**NEW BUSINESS:** In moving forward Mr. Long would like the zoning codes to say clearly what each code is at the end of each section and redesign how codes are read. Mr. Long would like to see a section for accessory structures. The accessory structure needs to be in line with permanent structures. Mrs. Freeman commented on how some traffic lights need shields to keep the glare down in certain places like General Dynamics where there are bright outdoor lights.

Upon motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mrs. Freeman and a vote of 5 AYES and 0 NOES, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary