

CHERRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

July 2, 2024

CHERRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE MEETING ROOM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM CT by Chairman Wade Andrews in the advertised location of the Cherry County Courthouse Meeting Room.

Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Gordon Witte, Marla Shelbourn, Wade Andrews, Sherri Bacon, and Albert Ericksen. Absent were Michael McLeod, Duane Kime, Gary Swanson, and John Lee. Also present were Jane Stolzenburg, Zoning Administrator, and various members of the public.

The Open Meetings Act was noted as was the public notice in the Valentine Midland News pertaining to this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Albert E. made a motion to approve June 11th, 2024 minutes. Gordon W. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Marla S.-Yes, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Absent, Duane K.-Absent, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Absent, John L.-Absent, Albert E.-Yes, and Gordon W.-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Old Business

Zoning Administrator updated the Planning Commission regarding the decision of the Commissioners for additional Public Hearings. The board agreed separate public hearings would be held.

Board reviewed changes to Comprehensive Plan. A list of changes that had not been completed was made and the Chairman directed the Zoning Administrator to e-mail the corrections to Keith Marvin. Discussion was held concerning a lack of goals and policies in Chapter 8, Communications, Utilities, and Energy. Despite assurances from Keith, they are not required and more than one consensus agreement of the commission not to include any, member Shelbourn stated she will visit with the commissioners about it because she has personal feelings there needs to be something there.

New Business

After discussion regarding the public hearing the date of July 25th was acceptable with Keith Marvin. The time was set for 4:30 PM CT.

The planning commission directed the Zoning Administrator to have at least 3 full copies of the Comprehensive Plan available to the public. Two will be available at the Library and one copy at the Zoning office. The Comprehensive Plan is also available on the website.

New Zoning Regulations were discussed, and Wade A. suggested to all the members of the Planning Commission to read the new plan and highlight or cross out what may not apply. It was suggested that each member make the changes and present them at the next meeting.

Public Comment - two members of the public spoke at this time.





Set Date and Time

The board set August 6, 2024 at 4:30 PM CT in the Meeting Room for the next regular meeting.

Communications:

Marla S. suggested that information for the Comprehensive Plan be made available to the public on the comment program on the radio. It was also agreed that the list of changes be included in the copies that are made available to the public.

Reports and Recommendations:

Zoning Administrator Jane Stolzenburg reported that there was one zoning permit application received and accepted and one Conditional Use Permit submitted. This will be scheduled for a Public Hearing at the next meeting on August 6th.

Excused Absence:

Sherri B. made a motion to excuse Gary S., Duane K., John L., and Michael M. from the meeting. Gordon W. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Wade A.-Yes Michael M.-Absent, Duane K.-Absent, Sherri B-Yes, Gary S.-Absent, John L.-Absent, Albert E.-Yes, Gordon W.-Yes, and Marla S.-Yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Andrews adjourned the meeting at 6:23 PM CT.

Jane Stolzenburg

Zoning Administrator and

Sherri Bacon

Planning Commission Secretary