

Minutes
Planning and Zoning Commission
February 5, 2013

The regular meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall.

The following members answering roll call: Louis Woody, DC Wright, Dennis Thrasher, Aletha Smialek and Dallas Gramm. The following city personnel were also in attendance, Public Works Director Gene Stanton, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway and City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus. Absent was Dave Eden and David Wright

Guests registering their attendance are listed on the sign-in sheet attached to and made part of the minutes.

Agenda:

Chairman Woody presented the agenda to the Commission. Thrasher made a motion, seconded by Smialek to approve the agenda as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Chairman Woody declared the motion approved.

Minutes:

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2013, were presented to the Commission for approval. Smialek made a motion, seconded by Thrasher to approve the minutes with changes:

- Change reference from 3 ½ feet to 18x24 on Temporary signs.

AYES: Woody, DC Wright, Thrasher, Gramm, and Smialek

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Eden and David Wright

With all present members voting, Chairman Woody declared minutes approved.

Reorganize Board: Election of Officers:

Chairman Woody stated that the commission should have reorganized in January but he failed to get it on the agenda.

Chairman Woody opened the floor for nominations for Secretary:

Motion made by Thrasher and Seconded by Smialek to appoint D C Wright as Secretary. Motion approved.

Chairman Woody opened the floor for nominations for Vice Chairman:

Motion made by Gramm and Seconded by Smialek to appoint Dennis Thrasher as Vice Chairman. Motion approved.

Chairman Wood opened the floor for nominations for Chairman:

Motion made by D C Wright and Seconded by Thrasher to appoint Louis Woody as Chairman. Motion approved.

Board of Adjustments:

Springer stated that the city code needed to reflect the state statute and would need a text change. We currently have 2 people on the Board of Adjustments, statue requires 5. Springer also stated that he felt the Board of Adjustments should meet at least once a year.

Motion was made by Gramm, seconded by D C Wright to proceed with text change to the City Code.

The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Woody, D C Wright, Thrasher, Gramm, Smialek

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Eden and David Wright

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Chairman Woody declared the motion approved.

Chairman Woody directed Conway to set a public hearing on text change for the March 5, 2013 meeting.

Discussion items:

At this point we changed the order of the agenda.

C. Text changes to allow rebuilding of duplexes & variances:

Springer stated that the ordinance that the commission approved in January was not presented to council because of some paragraphs missing. Therefore the ordinance was tabled until the next Board of Alderman meeting.

Discussion was held on time limits to rebuild.

Chairman Woody recommended proceeding to council with the approved language from January 10, 2013 meeting. Attorney Petrus advised no further action needed to be taken at this time.

Chairman Woody suggested we bring back time limits to rebuild at a future time. Commissioners agreed.

At this time David Wright arrived at 5:45 p.m.

A. Chickens: History of Springfield Legislation:

Springer suggested to the commission that they should read all of the Springfield, MO Code. City code does not allow agricultural in anything except "AR" which is more than 15 acres.

Discussion was held.

Chairman Woody directed to have the Chicken topic on the agenda for March 5, 2013.

B. Business Licenses: Is there a Need.

Discussion was held.

D. Planning and Zoning Text Changes: Length of Term

Springer stated that the city code needed to reflect the state statute which is 4 years, and this would require a text change. Discussion was held.

Motion was made by Smialek, seconded by Gramm to proceed with text change to the City Code on Length of Term..

The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Woody, D C Wright, Thrasher, Gramm, Smialek

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Eden and David Wright

Chairman Woody declared the motion approved.

Chairman Woody directed Conway to set a public hearing on text change for the March 5, 2013 meeting.

Committee Reports:

- Mixed Use District on Hickory Street: Postponed till March
- Comprehensive Plan Review: Still waiting on Diane May

Old Business:

None

New Business:

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Chairman Woody stated that he did not feel that anyone other than D C Wright should be making changes to the minutes. The secretary designee was instructed to send the minutes to D C Wright for approval.

Motion to adjourn made by Thrasher, and seconded by Smialek. With all members present voting in favor, Chairman Woody declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 6:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

DC Wright, Secretary
Shari Weldy
Secretary Designee