

Cherry County Planning and Zoning Minutes



CHERRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

February 2, 2021

CHERRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE CONFERENCE ROOM

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

Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Wade Andrews, Michael McLeod, Duane Kime, Sherri Bacon, Gary Swanson, John Lee, and Albert Ericksen. Absent was Dave Rogers and Chelsea Luthy. Also present were Jessica Coyle, 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

Duane K. made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 5th meeting. John L. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Abstain, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 6-1 with abstention.

New Business:

Election of Chairman

Duane K. nominated Wade Andrews as Chairman. Albert E. seconded the nomination. Duane K. made a motion that nominations cease and cast a unanimous ballot for Wade Andrews as Chairman. Albert E. seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Election of Vice Chairman

John L. nominated Duane Kime as Vice Chairman. Michael M. seconded the nomination. Gary S. made a motion that nominations cease. Michael M. seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-No, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 6-1.

Election of Secretary

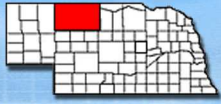
Albert E. nominated Michael McLeod as Secretary. Duane K. seconded the nomination. Duane K. made a motion that nominations cease. John L. seconded the motion. Roll Call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-No, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 6-1.

Keith Marvin Presentation on Comprehensive Plan

Keith Marvin reiterated that he needs some guidance on the Land Use section as this drives the Zoning Regulations. Keith reviewed all the Chapters in the Comprehensive Plan and the board gave him corrections as they were found. Keith is going to update the plan with changes and send copies to Zoning Administrator when done. Keith was also going to investigate the soil survey and see about changing it from alpha to numerical reference. Wade asked about the agricultural numbers and the drop in cattle numbers. Keith was going to see if there are any updates on the ag census.

Discuss and Act on Review of Additional Information on CUP 003/20 Bow & Arrow Conservation Easement

Zoning Administrator passed along the hard copies of the additional information the Commissioner's had requested from the applicant. The Planning Commission members had received this information prior to the meeting in an email. John L. stated he tried calling Commissioner Storer and then called Tom Davis, the applicant representative, about the



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use of the land. John L. reported from his discussion that the land use will not change and that the taxes will be paid. Albert E. and Duane K. both stated that they do not feel it will affect the neighbors. Sherri B. stated that the original application did not state anything about the American Burying Beetle, but it was included in the Wild Wood document. John L. made a motion to send CUP 003/20 Bow & Arrow Conservation Easement back to the Commissioners as everything looks acceptable as reviewed with no change to land use and affect to neighbors. Duane K. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Set the date for the next meeting of March 2, 2021 at 4:30 PM CT in the Cherry County Courthouse Meeting Room.

Old Business:

None

Public Comment:

Various members from the public spoke during this time.

Communications

Zoning Administrator stated that the NPZA Conference in Kearney is now going to be in the fall. She will provide more details later.

Reports and Recommendations

Chairman Andrews introduced Sherri Bacon as the newly appointed board member.

Excused Absence:

Albert E. made a motion to excuse Dave Rogers and Chelsea Luthy from the meeting. Duane K. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken Dave R.-Absent, Chelsea L.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Yes, and Albert E.-Yes. Motion carried 7-0.

Chairman Andrews adjourned the meeting at 6:00 PM CT.

Jessica Coyle

Zoning Administrator

Approved with correction of Chairman Andrews and not Chairman Swanson