



Cherry County Planning and Zoning Minutes



CHERRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

June 8, 2021

CHERRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE CONFERENCE ROOM

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 PM CT by Chairman Wade Andrews 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, and Gary Swanson. Absent was Dave Rogers, John Lee, and Albert Ericksen with a vacancy. Also present were Jessica Coyle, Zoning Administrator, and various members of the public. Chairman Andrews informed the board that Chelsea Luthy is no longer eligible to be on the board since her residency changed.

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 April 6, 2021 meeting. Sherri B. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, and Albert E.-Absent with a vacancy. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business:

Zoom Call with Margaret Byfield

The board had a zoom call with Margaret Byfield about becoming a secondary consultant for the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Regulations update that they are currently working on with Keith Marvin. Margaret will be helping in the areas of Conservation Easements, endangered species and wetlands protection plus others as needed. She told the board that they work with boards two ways \$100/hour or \$1500/month.

Discuss/Act on hiring Margaret Byfield as a Secondary Consultant

The board discussed the pros and cons of hiring someone and most agreed to hire. Gary S. stated he was initially against due to of her being in another state, but with technology and her being fluent on endangered species and conservation easements that it will work. Duane made a motion to hire Margaret Byfield as a Secondary Consultant at the \$100/hour rate and if need to change to the \$1500/month. Sherri B. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, and Albert E.-Absent with a vacancy. Motion carried 5-0.

Discuss Updates on Comprehensive Plan

Zoning Administrator stated that she had not received an updated plan from Keith Marvin.

Set the date for the next meeting of August 3, 2021 at 4:30 PM CT in the Cherry County Courthouse Meeting Room.

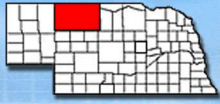
Old Business:

None

Public Comment:

Various members from the public spoke during this time.

Communications:



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Zoning Administrator shared with the board the Proposed Amendments to Brown County Zoning Regulations. Chairman Andrews asked if the Planning Commission still needed to come up with a 30x30 resolution since the Commissioners passed one. Duane K. said that appointed boards did not need to, but all elected boards are encouraged to.

Reports and Recommendations

None

Excused Absence:

Duane K. made a motion to excuse Dave Rogers, John Lee, and Albert Ericksen from the meeting. Michael M. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Dave R.-Absent, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Yes, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, and Albert E.-Absent with a vacancy. Motion carried 5-0.

Chairman Andrews adjourned the meeting at 5:29 PM CT.

Jessica Coyle

Zoning Administrator

APPROVED