

HIGHLAND PLAN COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting of
Wednesday, January 18, 2017

The Highland Plan Commission met in regular session on January 18, 2017 in the meeting room of the Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana. The meeting opened at 7:00 P.M. led by Commissioner Schocke. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Martini.

ROLL CALL: Present on roll call: Commissioners: Joseph Grzymiski, Mario Martini, Doug Turich, Bernie Zemen, Mark Kendra and Mark Schocke. Absent: Commissioners: Tom Vander Woude. Also present: Ken Mika, Building Commissioner and Jared Tauber, Attorney.

APPOINTMENTS: Commissioner Martini motioned to appoint the slate of: Chairman: Commissioner Schocke; Vice Chairman: Doug Turich; Secretary: Mark Kendra. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Zemen and unanimously passed by a roll call vote of 6 – 0.

Commissioner Martini motioned to appoint Tauber Law Firm as the Plan Commissioner Attorney for 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendra and unanimously passed by a roll call vote of 6 – 0. Commissioner Martini motioned to appoint Nies Engineering for the Plan Commission Engineer for 2017. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Turich and unanimously passed by a roll call vote of 6 – 0. Commissioner Martini motioned to appoint Barb Mazur as Recording Secretary for 2017. Commissioner Kendra seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed by a roll call vote of 6 – 0.

MINUTES: Commissioner Schocke asked if there were any deletions, additions or corrections to the minutes of the December 21, 2016 regular meeting. Hearing none they were approved as posted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next study session will be held on February 1, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. The next business meeting will be held on February 15, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. Commissioner also stated that in addition to the above meeting there will be a special study session on February 23, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

COMMUNICATION: None.

OLD BUSINESS: Docket # 2016-05 Approval of Findings of Fact for primary plat approval for a proposed two-lot subdivision combining the properties located at 3722 38th Street and 9006 Kleinman for the purpose of building a new single family home and accessory structure. Petitioners are Joe and Shelia Windsor of 9009 Arbor Hill Dr, Highland, represented by Mr. Gary Torrenza, Torrenza Engineering, 907 Ridge Rd., Munster, IN 46321.

Building Commissioner, Ken Mika, stated that the agenda also noted secondary plat approval for the above referenced docket. He continued that secondary plat approval cannot be pursued tonight as there has not been an amendment to vacate the NIPSCO easement. He stated that the agenda should be noted as such. Commissioner Martini motioned to approve the Findings of

Fact for primary plat approval. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Grzymiski and unanimously passed by a roll call vote of 6 – 0.

Commissioner Zemen asked Mr. Windsor if he had been contacted by NIPSCO. Mr. Windsor stated that he believed that NIPSCO has contacted Mr. Torrenga via email that they will be vacating the easement.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR: None.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Zemen moved to adjourn. Commissioner Martini seconded the motion and it was unanimously carried by a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7: 09 P.M.