

Starke County Plan Commission
Regular Meeting
June 8, 2020

- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance
- ❖ Roll Call: Roger Chaffins, president & trustee; Bill Crase, vice president & surveyor; Bryan Cavender; Commissioner; Howard Bailey, councilman; Phil Woolery, extension educator (absent); Donald Binkley, Todd Lawrence, Denise Cultice, and Todd Jackson, citizen members; Martin Bedrock, commission counsel; Terry R. Stephenson, administrator/building commissioner; and Pamla J. Starkey, clerk/secretary. There were (2) two visitors present.
- ❖ Approval of the minutes of the March 9, 2020 meeting: Ms. Cultice made a motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Binkley. Motion carried (8-0)
- ❖ New and Old Business
 - 2021 Budget
 - Mrs. Starkey explained that everything is the same as it is for this year and stated they were told not to ask for a raise.
 - After some discussion, Mr. Cavender made a motion to approve the budget as submitted, seconded by Mr. Bailey. Motion carried (8-0)
 - A possible zoo in the Monterey area.
 - Mrs. Starkey explained to the board that Benjamin Callender, the CEO of Callender Wood Works LLC in Culver is interested in putting a zoo in Starke/Marshall County area. He gave her the possible location of 800 N & 125 E Monterey, which would not be in Starke County. Mrs. Starkey let him know that she thinks the property that he is looking at is in Pulaski County.
 - After more discussion by the board, Mrs. Starkey is to let him know that we are in favor of the possibility of a zoo with the proper location and all of the permits he would need from the state and he would need to apply through the Board of Zoning Appeal.
- ❖ New and Old Violation
 - Austin Walters has demolished and removed the structure
 - Tina Rudd & Andrew Knapp 6835 E SR 10 Knox
 - Rudd & Knapp both were present and explained what they have done so far.
 - Mr. Stephenson is to go look at the property before next meeting.
 - After discussion by the board, Ms. Cultice made a motion to extend their deadline for (60) sixty more days and renew the permit, seconded by Mr. Binkley. Motion carried. (8-0)
 - Joseph & Janice Malec, 8195 N North St Walkerton
 - Ms. Blodgett explained that she did everything that was to be done, but now Mr. Bedrock said we have to send a violation notice.
 - After discussion, Mr. Binkley made a motion for Mr. Bedrock to create the ordinance violation to send to Malec's so that we can cleanup the property and send them notice of the costs incurred, seconded by Mr. Crase. Motion carried (8-0)
 - Ms. Blodgett explained the way she has been handling the cases and is confused as to why we are doing the violation and the abate the same and that is very confusing.
 - June Sunderland 5820 E Manor Dr
 - Mr. Bedrock explained that the hearing was canceled and has not been rescheduled due to the COVID19.
 - After more discussion Mr. Bedrock stated that he will see if he can get it back on the courts schedule

- Ms. Cultice stated that she has had complaints regarding Bobby & Bridget McClone's property located at 5180 S 350 W North Judson. She let the board know that he has been having motor cross races and the neighbors are complaining about all of the noise, she also stated that they are not charging but are taking donations.
 - Mr. Crase said that he has talked to Mrs. Starkey and it is zoned residential, but we do not have a noise ordinance and they aren't charging people so we really can't do anything.
 - Mr. Stephenson stated that there is a state noise ordinance.
 - Mr. Bedrock stated that he will check to see what can be done since they are taking donations.
 - After more discussion, Mr. Crase stated that we need to work on a noise ordinance
- ❖ Board will look over the end of the year reports

With no further business, Mr. Crase made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Cavender. Motion carried (8-0)

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Starke County Plan Commission Office. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Monday July 13, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Unless stated otherwise all Plan Commission meetings will be held on the second Monday of every month at 5:30 p.m. with the Board of Zoning Appeal meeting on the same night the latter of 6:30 p.m. or the conclusion of the Plan Commission meeting.

Pamla J. Starkey
Clerk/Secretary