

Starke County Plan Commission  
Regular Meeting & Two Public Hearings  
September 20, 2017

- I) Pledge of Allegiance
- II) Roll Call: Roger Chaffins, president & citizen member; Bryan Cavender, vice president & councilman; Bill Crase, surveyor; Phil Woolery, extension educator; Byron Walters, trustee; Denise Thomas & Jeff Fosler, citizen members; Jeff Berg, city representative; Martin Bedrock, commission counsel; Terry R. Stephenson, administrator & building commissioner; and Pamla J. Starkey, clerk/secretary. There were (2) two visitors present.
- III) Approval of the minutes of the August 16, 2017 meeting:
  - ◆ Mr. Crase made a motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Cavender. Motion carried (7-0)
- IV) Public Hearing: Pursuant to the laws of the State of Indiana contained in I.C.36-7-9, the Starke County Planning Commission Administrator hereby Orders that the unsafe structure located on the NE corner of U.S. 421 and Ann Street in San Pierre, In. 46374, S21 T32 R4, Brazills 1<sup>st</sup> Lot 1, State ID #75-08-21-303-045.000-011 be removed and premises cleaned up. Property Owners Being: Timothy & Christine Yokovich.
- V) **ALSO** Public Hearing: Pursuant to the laws of the State of Indiana contained in I.C.36-7-9, the Starke County Planning Commission Administrator hereby Orders that the unsafe structure located at 10020 W. 550 S. San Pierre, IN. 46374, S17 T32 R4, Pt NE W of RR 2.766 Acres, State ID #75-08-17-200-010.000-011, be removed and premises cleaned up. Owners being Timothy & Christine Yokovich.
  - ◆ Mr. Chaffins opened the public hearing
  - ◆ Mr. Wallsmith & Mr. Yokovich were present regarding the public hearing
    - Mr. Wallsmith explained that Mr. Yokovich has been ill but is now well and plans to repair both buildings on the two properties with applying for the proper building permits and in an allotted time.
    - Mr. Bedrock explained to Mr. Wallsmith that Mr. Yokovich has been notified several times regarding these properties, and that Mr. Stephenson has been very considerate and given many opportunities to repair the structures.
    - Mr. Yokovich explained that he had several health problems to keep him from working on them. He also explained that the building has been struck by a couple of vehicles at different times.
    - Mr. Chaffins doesn't feel that anything will ever get done, no matter how much time he is given, as we have been dealing with this since 2009.
    - Mr. Chaffins asked how much time he needs, Mr. Yokovich stated that he would like (90) ninety days for the one uptown and (6) six months on the property on 550 S.
    - Mr. Crase stated that we will be getting winter weather soon and asked if he will get it done within the 90 days with the time starting tomorrow.
    - Mr. Yokovich said that he could
    - Mr. Bedrock stated that we could have a review hearing at our November meeting to see what progress is being done.
    - Mr. Cavender made a motion to grant the 90 days on the property on Ann Street and 6 months on the property on 550 S and have a review hearing at our November meeting and will continue the public hearings in January 2018 to proceed with the findings, seconded by Mr. Crase. Motion carried (7-0)

- Mr. Fosler made motion to continue the public hearings in January 2018, seconded by Mrs. Thomas. Motion Carried (7-0)

VI) New & Old Business

- ◆ Tech committee needs to set a date to meet and discuss Code Enforcement Officer and RV and tall grass ordinance.
  - Tech committee will meet on Thursday October 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. to discuss these matters and when they are ready with the RV Ordinance we will then have a meeting with the BLPO to discuss their concerns as well.

VII) New & Old Violations

- ◆ David Eggert, Debbie Dr, Knox: Certified letter came back unclaimed and unable to forward.
  - Mr. Chaffins stated that he will check with Sheriff Dulin to see if we can get help with the cleanup.
- ◆ Vicki Schall/Johnson, property has been sold and buyer is planning on tearing the rest of the structure down.
- ◆ James & Loretta Wheeler, Cleaned up

VIII) No Public Comment

IX) End of the month reports were given to members for review.

City planning commission members and the Starke County Plan Commission Tech Committee will have a joint meeting sometime in October.

With no further business, Mr. Crase made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Fosler. Motion carried (7-0)

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Starke County Plan Commission Office. The next scheduled meeting will be held on October 18, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Unless stated otherwise, all Plan Commission meetings will be held on the third Wednesday 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