

Starke County Plan Commission  
Regular Meeting and Public Hearing  
July 18, 2018

- ❖ Pledge of Allegiance
- ❖ Roll Call: Roger Chaffins, president & citizen member; Bill Crase, vice president & surveyor; Donald Binkley, commissioner; Bryan Cavender; councilman; Byron Walters, trustee; Phil Woolery, extension educator; Todd Lawrence, Denise Cultice, and Donald White, citizen members; Martin Bedrock, commission counsel; Terry R. Stephenson, administrator/building commissioner; and Pamla J. Starkey, clerk/secretary. There were (5) five visitors present.
- ❖ Approval of the minutes of the June 20, 2018 meeting: Ms. Cultice made a motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Binkley. Motion carried (9-0)
- ❖ Public Hearing to consider the approval of an amendment to both rescind and amend the Public Nuisance section of the Starke County Ordinance 2009-013
  - Mr. Chaffins opened the public hearing
    - With no public comment, Mr. Chaffins closed the public hearing.
    - After discussion by the board Mr. Crase made a motion to separate the public nuisance from the unsafe building ordinance, seconded by Mr. White. Motion carried (9-0)
    - Mr. White made a motion to send to the Starke County Commissioners with a favorable recommendation, seconded by Ms. Cultice. Motion carried (9-0)
- ❖ New and Old Business
  - Mr. Stephenson asked how we can set up a separate fund for the code enforcement of the public nuisances
    - Mr. Binkley stated that he is not sure if he would need to go to the commissioners or the council first, but to ask when he goes to the commissioners for the amendment.
  - Mr. Stephenson also would like to know how the county can receive ownership of the properties that we have cleaned up and sell them.
    - Mr. Binkley stated that he sure the county commissioners are all for doing that, just waiting for the county attorney and the planning commission board attorney to find out how.
- ❖ New and Old Violation
  - Carol Wilson, 9780 E. 500 N., Grovertown, IN. 46531: Unsafe Building
    - Mr. Stephenson stated that they were suppose to get a hold of their trustee.
    - Wilsons stated that they misunderstood, and thought the board was going to get a hold of the trustee.
    - Mr. Chaffins gave them the phone number for Mark Allen as he is their trustee and asked them to come back next month for a progress report.
    - Mr. Stephenson told the Wilsons that he will not be helping them or letting them use his equipment since they have not done anything.
  - Carl & Tina Rudd, 6835 E. S.R. 10, Knox: Unsafe Building
    - Mr. Rudd was present and gave an update on the property, stating that they are living on the property and the barn will be removed on Monday.
    - Mr. Chaffins asked him the come back in a couple of months to keep us updated.
  - Timopthy & Christina Yokovich, San Pierre buildings: Unsafe Buildings
    - Jon & Christine were present and gave an update on the properties.
    - Mr. Chaffins asked them to come back in a couple of months.
- ❖ Public Comment: No comments
- ❖ Board will look over the end of the year reports

With no further business, Mr. White made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Mr. Crase.  
Motion carried (9-0)

This meeting was recorded and will be on file in the Starke County Plan Commission Office. The next scheduled meeting will be held on August 15, 2018 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