

Starke County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2008

Attendance: Mark MacKillop, surveyor & president; Lee Nagai, citizen member & vice president; Kent Danford, commissioner; Jack Hudgens, & Gina Albright, citizen members; Steven A. Dodge, commission counsel; Bruce W. Williams, administrator/inspector; and Pamla J. Starkey, recording secretary. There were (2) two visitors present.

1. Approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2008, June 18, 2008, and the August 20, 2008 meetings: Hudgens made a motion to approve minutes as written, seconded by Albright. Motion carried (5-0).
2. Old Business
 - a) Unsafe Building Ordinance: Nagai read the sample draft ordinance to the board. After discussion Hudgens made a motion for Dodge to draft language to include unsafe building definitions, Dodge suggested that we put in the language that we adopt the Unsafe Building Ordinance that includes the adoption of the state statute which has to be followed here in Starke County, we can always make ours more strict. Hudgens amended his motion to have Mr. Dodge draft language for the unsafe building ordinance procedure with the current Indiana State Law, seconded by Nagai. Motion carried (5-0). (Copy of draft language will be in planning commission office for viewing during working hours).
 - b) Manufactured Home Ordinance: Nagai read the sample draft ordinance to the board. After discussion, Hudgens made a motion for Mr. Dodge to draft language for the next meeting, seconded by Nagai. Motion carried (5-0) (Copy of draft language will be in planning commission office for viewing during working hours).
 - c) Dog Kennel Ordinance: After discussion, Hudgens made a motion for Mr. Dodge to draft ordinance for the next meeting, seconded by Nagai. Motion carried (5-0). (Copy of draft language will be in planning commission office for viewing during working hours).

Alan Sahara from 11375 E. Division Rd. complained of neighbor at 11355 E. Division Rd. has horses, dogs & chickens on his property. Mr. Sahara doesn't feel that he is abiding by the Starke County Ordinance. Williams is to investigate the property.

Hudgens is concerned about the attendance of the planning commission board members and believes that the board members need to take their positions more seriously.

Nagai made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MacKillop. Motion carried (5-0). Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

This meeting was taped and will be on file in the Starke County Planning Commission Office. The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

Pamla J. Starkey
Recording Secretary