



LOUISBURG PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2018

The Planning Commission of the City of Louisburg, Kansas, met at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers with Chairman Andy Sauber presiding.

ATTENDANCE:

Commission Members: Brandon Fosbinder, Nate Apple, Chad Rowe, Sandy Harris

City Staff: Jean Carder, acting recording secretary, Rusty Whitham

Visitors:

ITEM 1: ROLL CALL

ITEM 2: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Brandon Fosbinder and seconded by Sandy Harris to adopt the agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

A motion was made by Brandon Fosbinder and seconded by Chad Rowe to approve the minutes from the Dec 28, 2017, meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

ITEM 4: PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Sauber said there would be a public hearing on the rezoning of the property at 6 S. Third St. from C-3 General Business District to R-1 Single-Family Dwelling District. Chairman Sauber opened the public hearing. There were no comments from the public. Chairman Sauber closed the public hearing.

Chairman Sauber stated in his opinion the subject property was rezoned to commercial at the applicant's request but the commercial venture the applicant was hoping to start at the property didn't work. Now the applicant would like to sell the property in which it would be used as a residence. Chairman Sauber

pointed out the property is commercial on the future land use map and he expects it to be a commercial property as some point in the future.

Bandon Fosbinder said he would rather see the property zoning change back to residential and have it used rather than remain vacant building.

Nate Apple moved and Brandon Fosbinder seconded to rezone the property at 6 S. Third St. to R-1 Single Family Dwelling District. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioners reviewed the Planning Commission calendar for June 2018 through December 2019. Commissioners noted some meetings were moved from the typical last Wednesday of the month meeting date to a week earlier due to holidays. Sandy Harris pointed out in the footnotes the meeting time of the Planning Commission meeting should be updated to reflect the 6:30 p.m. start time. Nate Apple moved and Brandon Fosbinder seconded to approve the calendar as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Rusty Whitham and Jean Carder gave Commissioners an overview of an upcoming meeting in which area business owners have been invited to attend either or both of two meetings scheduled for Feb. 8 at City Hall. It is the hope these meetings will start a discussion about signage in Louisburg. The number of non-conforming signs is growing and City staff thought it might be a good idea to use these meetings to remind business owners of the sign regulations. The meetings can also be used as an idea generator in looking at sign options and see if there are creative solutions that can work for both the City and for business owners.

No other business that came before the Planning Commission. Brandon Fosbinder moved and Nate Apple seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Submitted by Jean Carder, communications coordinator