MINUTES OF MEETING OF
WASHINGTON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
Held September 5, 2017
Washington County Government Building

The Washington County Plan Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President, David Hoar. All Plan Commission members were in attendance. Board of Zoning Appeals members present were Max Greene, Anthony Scifres, and Mark Hartman. Absent were Darrell Tye and John Mishler. Also present were WCPC/BZA attorney John Mead and Plan Director Travis Elliott, and members of the public Sabrina Burdine of Washington County Economic Growth Partnership and Rhonda Greene.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Danielle Walker and Kevin Carty offered prayer.

Minutes of the August 7, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Upon motion by Preston Shell, second by Kevin Carty, the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Plan Director Travis Elliott presented a copy of Ordinance No. 2011-03. He questioned whether three (3) pages that are not a part of the Ordinance should be added to the website for clarification. The pages are a Technical Review Checklist for Non-exempt Subdivisions, Washington County Road Standards, and a drawing explaining the county road standards. Travis stated that without these pages, information is vague. David stated that the County Council had reviewed new web pages for the County and that the County website is being updated. Upon motion by Jeff Souder, second by Mark Hartman, the Commission recommended that the present Ordinance, including the additional pages, should be posted on the website.

The Commission reviewed the new Permit Application for Construction of: Manure Storage/Compost Facility for New or Existing AFO, CFO, CAFO in Washington County, Indiana. Upon motion by Preston Shell, second by Anthony Scifres, the application was unanimously approved as presented.

The Commission reviewed changes to the Permit Application for the Construction of: AFO's CFO's, CAFO's in Washington County, Indiana. Changes were made to the Appendix. Upon motion by Kevin Carty, second by Mark Hartman, the application was unanimously approved with revisions.

The Commission reviewed a list of names for appointment to fill the vacancy on the Commission. The appointment would be made by the Commissioners. There was discussion; no specific recommendation was forwarded to the Commissioners.

Under New Business, the question was raised as to whether the Plan Commission is responsible for a County Noise Ordinance. There presently is no such ordinance. There was discussion by the Commission. Questions were raised as to proper standards or noise levels for such an Ordinance and then questions of the means or manner of enforcement. It was the sense of the Commission that it does not need to become a referee for neighborhood disputes or disagreements over noise. No action was taken.

There being no further business, upon motion by Jeff Souder, second by Kevin Carty, the Plan Commission unanimously approved to conclude its meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The Board of Zoning Appeals was not called to order; no action taken.

Washington County Plan Commission by:

David Hoar, President

Danielle Walker

Jeff Souder

Ervin Day

Mark Hartman

Anthony Scifres

Preston Shell

Kevin Carty

Board of Zoning and Appeals by:

Max Greene

Darrell Tye

John Mishler

Anthony Scifres

Mark Hartman

WCPC/BZA Attorney:

John W. Mead/Mark D. Clark