Barnesville Planning Commission Regular Meeting

Monday, August 4, 2014

The regular meeting of the Barnesville Planning Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Steve Mortensen at 6:42 p.m.

Members present: Steve Mortensen, Paul Karsnia, Don Goedtke, Brent Berg, and Jaime Gott.

Members absent: Margaret Follingstad and Rick Hamman

Others present: Mike Rietz, and Jacob Underlee.

AGENDA

8-4-14-01 Motion by Berg and seconded by Gott to approve the agenda as presented. Unanimously carried.

MINUTES

8-4-14-02 Motion by Gott and seconded by Berg to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2014 meeting. Unanimously carried.

BUILDING OFFICIAL OPTIONS

City Administrator Rietz indicated that he had looked at a variety of options for providing building official services and is recommending contracting with Lakes Country Service Cooperative as the preferred option.

8-4-14-03 Motion by Berg and seconded by Gott to recommend to the Council contracting with Lakes Country Service Cooperative for building inspection services. Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION OF CHANGES TO ACCESSORY BUILDING REGULATIONS

City Administrator Rietz presented a couple of accessory building ordinances from other communities and there was some discussion by the commission on that various changes that could be made and some of the history of the current regulations. Some topics for further analysis and discussion included getting an idea of the average lot sizes in the community, determining if including the square footage of the attached accessory structures in the amount allowed was still something that was desirable and does restricting accessory space to be less than the primary structure still make sense.

DISCUSSION OF INDUSTRIAL ZONING EAST OF THE BUS GARAGE

City Administrator Rietz provided a map showing how the current zoning boundaries relate to the parcels in the area. The commission felt that the next step in the process was to send a letter to the property owners involved and to gauge their interest in rezoning the property and to explain the re-zoning process to them.

BUILDING PERMIT LIST

The building permits for July were reviewed. 10 permits with a total valuation of \$433,000.

8-4-14-04 Motion by Gott, seconded by Karsnia to adjourn. Unanimously carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted by: Michael Rietz City Administrator