

FOUNTAIN COUNTY  
ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION  
Minutes for  
June 22, 2023  
6:00 P.M.

**A. Call to Order:** The Fountain County Planning Commission met on June 22, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Fountain County Courthouse in the Commissioner's Meeting Room.

Minutes last Meeting- May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Minutes Approved

Motion to Approve Minutes	SECONDED	VOTE
Tim Shumaker	Nancy Tuggle	7-0

**B. The following members were present:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sue Ann Anderson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jamie Shonkwiler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Bush	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tim Shumaker
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kyle Crowder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nancy Tuggle
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim McKee	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Glen Walter
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jake McGraw	

Others in Attendance: Jeff Fishero, Carol Owens, Roger Azar, Tom Booe, Eric Haley, Kent Minnette

**C. Determination of Quorum** - ☒ Yes ☐ No

**D. Public Comment** – none

**E. Report of Committees and Officers** – No Changes, All Seats filled

**F. Old Business**

- Proposed Ordinance Amendment- Submitted to APC for Review & Approval  
Stage: ~~Developing~~, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: APC to Discuss/Vote on Solar to make recommendations to Commissioners

Roger Azar, addressed questions that were covered in the last meeting for some additional clarification. APC decided to make A recommendation, to the County Commissioners, to add legal & Engineering fees as an additional cost to companies filing a permit for a solar permit, and to change the verbiage on setbacks for Solar to include all Residential "Use" instead of Residential "Zoned" properties. Roger will make the necessary changes. Motion was made to advertise for public hearing for July's meeting with a vote in July to send to County Commissioners.

- Subdivision -Submitted to APC for Review & Approval  
Stage: ~~Developing~~, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: APC Board to Discuss/Vote
  - 90% Complete
  - Review Questions/Revisions/vote to pass to Commissioners

Roger presented to the APC Board for review at last meeting. Binder was given to all board members to Review. Jamie Shonkwiler and Laura Bush were not present at the meeting and asked to have the draft sent to them to look over. Members are to send Roger any questions and Comments for any revisions by June 30<sup>th</sup>. If there are no comments or concerns with the draft, APC has agreed to proceed & make the recommendation to the Commissioners. Roger's updates on other projects as follows...

- Driveways, Streets, and Roads Ordinance– Commissioners for Approval July Meeting  
Stage: ~~Developing~~, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: None
  - 95% Complete
- Zoning, New Build & Improvements Ordinance- Waiting for Submittal to APC for Review  
Stage: Developing, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: None
  - 90% Complete
- Drainage Ordinance- Waiting for Submittal to APC for Review  
Stage: Developing, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: None
  - 85% complete

- Septic & Well Ordinance– On Hold for State Regulations  
Stage: Developing, APC, Commissioners, Advertising, In Effect  
Action Needed: None
  - 65% complete
  - Health Department reported that there is a hold on this project. It will be required that everything must be sent to the State for Approval.
  
- Zoning Map updates  
 Committee Members: Jim McKee, Jake McGraw, Roger Azar, Amber Roarks  
Stage: Revising Stage  
Action Needed: Need to assign lead to meet to meet with towns
  - Determine if requirements have been met for the fringe area
  - Determine what parcels fall in the fringe area
  - Members met June 1 & 15- completed Jackson, Millcreek, Wabash, Fulton, and Cain Townships
  - Next meeting June 29 – Davis, Shawnee, Richland

Roger reported that after the next meeting the committee will be working on Troy, Van Burren, and Logan. These meetings will require more information from the towns on what areas fall in the towns fringe area. The committee needs to locate the documents when the fringe areas were established to identify the areas, and if the towns completed their requirements. The County Attorney will look at the original comp plan to see if he can find anything that may be useful. He also recommended that we ask the town if they want to continue to have the authority over the fringe areas. Roger will contact the Covington Mayor, and Attica Mayor to see if they have any maps on what the fringe areas consist of, and Amber will reach out to the Veedersburg Town Clerk. After completion of the Committees Review on the new proposed zoning maps, the Committee will need to send them to the County Attorney.

- Training & Education for Committee Members – Purdue Course  
Stage: Open for those who want to get the certification  
Action Needed: Is any members interested in the Purdue Course?
  - Adam Tyler, Purdue APC Class \$200 per person
  - Two courses, that consists of 28 units that are 45 min each
  - Comprehensive assessments at end of each unit.
  - Pass both courses to become certified as a Master Citizen Planner
  - Also included 2 hr. in person education events
  - Citizens Planning Guide included

Amber Roarks is interested in completing the training and any other board member interested in completing it needs to let Amber Know. Decision was made to look at doing this in the winter.

#### Administrative Overview Given by Amber Roarks

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- APC Budget – Submitted to County Auditor  
Stage: Budget Approval needed by County Council  
Action Needed: None
  
- Additional Appropriations–Approved  
Stage: ~~Commissioners~~, Advertising, Council, DLGF  
Action Needed: None
  
- Invoices– No Outstanding Invoices  
Stage:  
Action Needed: None
  - Outstanding Invoices- From March, \$5,012.50 pd 6/19
  - Should receive a bill from Roger for 2nd qtr. in July
  - Reimbursements on lawyer fees to County \$30,586.72, Pending Auditor

#### Training & Education Overview - Given by Amber Roarks

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- Public Education- No Change  
Stage: gathering information for printing  
Action Needed: none
  - Flyer- available in office to public, mailing out to individuals
  - Postage for mailing- we have no account for sending bulk mail. It was attempted in the past. The benefit did not out way the red tape to acquire.
  - Printing cost- working on cost

- Comprehensive Plan with Beam-Long-Neff: Public Meetings Scheduled

Stage: Task two

Action Needed: None

Task one- Existing Conditions Analysis

Task two-Committee Development & Public Meetings

- Committee Members
  - Tim Shumaker
  - Sue Ann Anderson
  - Dale White
  - Lori Jordan
- Public Meeting June 29<sup>th</sup> @ 3:00 pm, Maple Corner Building

Task three- Prepare the Draft Plan

Task four – Prepare Final Product and Recommendations

## **G. New Business –**

**H. Communications from Members –** BZA Training with Kent Minette after meeting is adjourned.

### Next Meeting

DATE	TIME	PLACE
July 27, 2023	6:00 PM	FOUNTAIN COUNTY COURT HOUSE

### Meeting Adjourn

Motion Made by	Seconded	Vote	Time
Nancy Tuggle	Sue Ann Anderson	9-0	8:47 pm

### Signature Page:

Glen J. Walter  
Jim Shuck

James R. Baker  
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Sue Anderson  
Nancy B. Tuggle  
James R. Baker

Date                      Adm of Records