HENRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION 1201 RACE STREET, SUITE 214 NEW CASTLE, INDIANA 47362

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The Henry County Planning Commission held a Regular Meeting in the Old Circuit Courtroom of the Henry County Courthouse, 101 S. Main Street, New Castle, IN 47362 on Thursday, January 17th 2019.

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Vice President Justin Curley.

Roll was called. Board members present were: Dale Cole, Justin Curley, Daniel Roach, Olene Veach, Larry Brayton, Ed Yanos, and Kenon Gray. Members absent were Rachel Clark and Tom Green

Also present was Darrin Jacobs, Zoning Administrator and Sean Row, Attorney.

Officer Election

The board held elections for the 2018 calendar year.

Olene Veach nominated Ed Yanos for President. Dale Cole seconded the nomination. The nomination passed 6-0 with Ed Yanos abstaining.

Ed Yanos presided over the remainder of the meeting.

Dale Cole nominated Justin Curley for Vice President. Olene Veach Seconded the nomination. The nomination passed 7-0.

Dale Cole nominated Zoning Administrator Darrin Jacobs for Secretary. Justin Curley seconded the nomination. The nomination passed 7-0.

Previous Minutes

The Board read and approved the December 20th, 2018 minutes with a vote 7-0. The motion to approve was made by Dale Cole and seconded by Olene.

Zoning Administrator reports and requests

The Zoning Administrator informed the Commission the Henry County Comprehensive Plan had been submitted to the Indiana Chapter of the American Planning Association for consideration for their 2019 Outstanding Comprehensive Plan Award.

The Zoning Administrator requested the ability to meet with a few members of the Commission to investigate and discuss if Henry County's Development Code limits the affordability, variety, and inclusiveness of Henry County's housing options. He stated the group would meet informally to discuss housing code limitations with the Planning Commission staff and determine if further study and public discussion about amending the code needs to be brought before the full Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission gave approval for the Zoning Administrator to initiate those discussions. Kenon Gray and Larry Brayton volunteered to be a part of that group. Mr. Jacobs stated he would also ask if Tom Green was willing to also participate.

The Zoning Administrator requested that the Planning Commission conduct an evaluation on his job performance. The Commission agreed that it was time and Larry Brayton moved to have the President, Vice President, HR Director, and Zoning Administrator work on a process for that review and have the review completed by sometime in early March. Olene Veach seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0

President Ed Yanos announced that the next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for February 21st.

Dale Cole moved to adjourn the meeting. Justin Curley seconded and the motion carried 9-0.
