

GRANT COUNTY AREA PLAN COMMISSION

GRANT COUNTY OFFICE COMPLEX

Minutes

May 7, 2018

7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

Mr. Bothwell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with all members present except Mr. Brankle, Mr. McQuirt, and Mrs. Owen

2. Approval of Minutes

Following invocation by Mr. Bonham and the Pledge of Allegiance, Mr. Briede moved, Mr. Monroe seconded a motion to approve minutes of the March 5, 2018 meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

3. Rezoning/Public Hearing

3.1 Public Hearing

Docket #03Z-18 (Public Hearing) Central Christian Church/Luke Miller rezoning

Mr. Bothwell opened the public hearing noting that action following the hearing, if any, would be a recommendation to the Van Buren Town Council as a) favorable; b) unfavorable; or c) no recommendation as per code. Mr. Bothwell asked Mr. Strange to describe the proposed rezoning request.

Mr. Luke Miller, was present representing the petition. Mr. Tony Manry supported the request.

Noting no additional public comment or rebuttal, Mr. Bothwell closed the public hearing and opened the floor to discussion among Commission members.

3.1.1 Recommendation

Mr. Caudill moved and Mr. Maynard seconded a motion to send the rezoning to the Van Buren Town Council for action with a recommendation for approval. All aye. Motion carried.

3.2 Public Hearing

Docket #04Z-18 (Public Hearing) Erika Knight rezoning

Mr. Bothwell opened the public hearing. Mr. Bothwell asked Mr. Strange to describe the proposed rezoning request.

Ms. Erika Knight was present representing the petition and spoke briefly on her request, stating that as presented by staff she had nothing to add. Noting no additional public comment or rebuttal, Mr. Bothwell closed the public hearing and opened the floor to discussion among Commission members.

3.2.1 Recommendation

Mr. Briede moved and Mr. Bonham seconded a motion to send the rezoning to the Town of Sweetser for action with a favorable recommendation. All aye. Motion carried.

3.3 Public Hearing

Docket #01TA-18 (Public Hearing) Fee Schedule

Mr. Bothwell opened the public hearing noting the petition for the zoning ordinance amendment came from the Area Plan Department. He asked Mr. Strange to review the proposed amendments, which he did. Mr. Bothwell asked if there was any comment from the public. As there was none, he closed the public hearing and opened the item for discussion among Commission Members. He noted that regardless of the recommendation the ordinance would be passed along to the Commissioners and the other local government units in area plan with the stipulation that either the amendment passed in all jurisdictions or it would not be implemented. He also discussed the fact that the Executive Committee had approved that if the fee schedule was approved and implemented that the Department would request from the Grant County Council for any revenues in excess of the average permit revenue for the five-year period from 2013 through 2017 to be dedicated to the unsafe structure fund.

3.2.1 Recommendation

Mr. Briede moved and Mr. Bonham seconded a motion to send the ordinance amendment with a recommendation for approval to the Grant County Commissioners, the City of Jonesboro, and the Towns of Upland, Fairmount, Van Buren, Sweetzer, and Matthews for consideration.

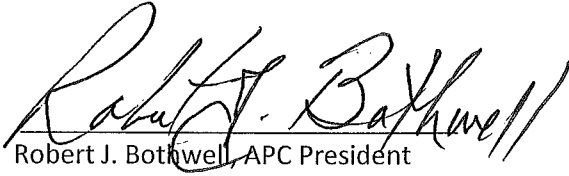
4. Correspondence and Other Business

- Mr. Bothwell said that plaques had been prepared to be given to the widow of Dick Trowbridge; to Debbie Wallace; to Tony Manry; and, to John Bonham in honor of their many years of service and leadership to the Grant County Area Plan Commission and the Area Plan Department.
- Mr. Bothwell discussed the state of the unsafe structure fund and said Mr. Strange had been investigating options with the City and the County street department. Mr. Strange reported on his preliminary discussions.
- Mr. Bothwell brought up the issue of personnel and operational changes in the Area Plan Department brought about by Debbie Wallace's retirement. One, Brenda Harrison has been promoted to Debbie Wallace's position and pay grade. Two, because the Grant County Council has chosen at this time not to replace Ms. Wallace's position operational changes were made in the departments operating hours and inspection scheduling policies. Mr. Strange reviewed these. Mr. Bothwell said it was the responsibility of the entire commission to approve these personnel and operational changes and asked for a motion. Mike Burton moved to approve. Rex Maynard seconded. All aye.

- Mr. Bothwell asked Mr. Elliot to review litigation issues. He reviewed the Lefler case and the ongoing Madison Grant Youth Basketball/Fairmount Debris Pile Situation.
- No one in the audience spoke on any issue when invited to do so.

5. Adjournment

Business completed Mr. Bothwell adjourned the meeting at 8:40 PM.



Robert J. Bothwell, APC President