

MINUTES of the GRANT COUNTY
AREA BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Special Meeting

January 21, 2020

A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. on the first floor of the Grant County Office Complex at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, Indiana.

The following members were present: Ed Hartman, Ron Howe, Lois Jones, Chip Long, and Bob Monroe. Bill Johnson and Rex Maynard were not present.

Staff present: Larry Strange, Executive Director, Bruce Elliott, Attorney for Area Plan and Brenda Harrison.

1. Ed Hartman brought the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Hartman explained that this was a public meeting and that the board may take comments from the public or they may not.

2. Roll Call

3. PUBLIC MEETING

3.1 Docket: #3SP-19

Name: Junior Stone

The board discussed the appeal being considered in the Junior Stone case the court decision to reverse the BZA denied of his January 2019 application for a special exception.

Bob Monroe made the motion to seek the appeal. Chip Long seconded. Ed Hartman, Chip Long, and Bob Monroe voted yes; Ron Howe recused himself, Lois Jones voted no. Motion failed.

The board discussed in general what the next step would be. Mr. Hartman opened the meeting for the public comment.

Public comments: Richard Stanley, Sara Koon, & Sandy Vest asked questions and gave their comments on the situation.

Following their comments, Mr. Hartman closed the public comment period and invited further board discussion. Bob Monroe explained why he thought the appeal was being pursued – to get a better understanding of the percentage for success and /or open the

door for negotiation on the number of events. Ed Hartman stated that the motion was to enable the board to retain an attorney and allow for the dismissal of the appeal if the chances of success were not good enough in their judgement and that of the board to go forward.

Bob Monroe made a second motion to seek an appeal based on the purposed previously stated. Chip Long seconded. Ed Hartman, Lois Jones, Chip Long, and Bob Monroe voted yes; Ron Howe recused himself. Motion carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Bob Monroe to close the meeting, Chip Long seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM. Board moved to Executive Session.



Ed Hartman, Chairman