

**AREA PLAN COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2005**

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE AREA PLAN COMMISSION OF GRANT COUNTY** was held on Monday, April 4th, 2005 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: Kim Windle, John Woodmansee, Dick Trobridge, Karen Owen, Dick Treon, Dennis Fox, John Bonham, Keith Roorbach, Robert Highley, Rana Vetor and Mark Bardsley. Absent were: Myron Brankle and Tony Manry. Staff present was Deborah Wallace and Betty Jones.

Richard Trobridge moved to approve the Minutes of the February and March Meetings, Keith Roorbach seconded. All members present voted yes; minutes approved.

Betty read and explained the procedures then asked the Board members if they had any contact with any petitioner, or with anyone else regarding any of the petitions. All members present answered no.

**Docket: #01P-2005 (Public Hearing) Cont.**

**Name:** Vernon Minor Subdivision

**Address:** E/sd SR-5 south of 400 S., Marion

**Zoning District:** RS

**Legal Description:** Being 11.36 acres and located in the Northwest Quarter of Section 34 in Monroe Township.

**Request:** To create a 2 lot residential subdivision.

**Don Wimmer, Wimmer Land Surveys, P.O. Box 547, Marion** represented the petition. Mr. & Mrs. Elliott, Owners of the Subdivision were also in attendance. Mr. Wimmer stated that he was at the April APC meeting and is back before them because he did not have drainage approval. Drainage approval has since been approved. He presented letters from Bryan & Associates and George Camacho stating that the pond which was originally on the preliminary plat had been eliminated. The subdivision will not produce any additional drainage problems or concerns.

**John Woodmansee** questioned whether there would be another driveway put in for access to the second house. **Mr. Don Wimmer** responded that the existing drive would be extended for access to the proposed house.

**Mr. Keith Roorbach** asked if any letters of objection were received and if the house would meet the setbacks? **Debbie Wallace** responded that no letters were received and that the house would meet. The Area Plan Office would verify all setbacks before a permit is issued.

There were no objectors in the audience and none were on file.

**Motion: Keith Roorbach moved to approve Docket #1P-2005, Richard Trobridge seconded All members present voted yes; motion carried.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

**Richard Treon** updated the Board on the search for an Executive Director for the Plan Commission. He informed the Board that the Executive Committee met and reviewed resumes for the position however, they were not able to recommend anyone at this time. The committee voted to extend the deadline for accepting applicants until April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Richard Treon** stated that the next order of business was the election of a Vice-President for the Board. This had been tabled at the last meeting because the vote was tied. He recommended that the Board table the election again. He felt the attendance was about the same therefore, it would probably have the same results as the last time.

**Betty Jones** remarked that she had spoken to Tanya Ford about the voting; Tanya asked her to let the Board know that if they wished to table the vote until next month she would be in favor of it. The Board commented that there are eleven members present for this meeting therefore, the vote would not be tied.

**Mr. John Woodmansee** stated that the Minutes read that the vote was tied therefore, the seat for Vice-President will be voted on at the April Meeting so he felt that they should vote at this meeting.

**Richard Trobridge** stated that with eleven people in attendance he felt they should vote. **John Woodmansee** agreed.

**Debbie Wallace** stated the proper procedure would be for someone to make a motion to either take the vote or table it until the next meeting.

**Richard Treon** asked for the motion.

**Rana Vctor** moved that the Board should go ahead with the vote since there is an odd number of members in attendance and wants the vote to be taken by paper ballots. **Dennis Fox** seconded. All members in attendance voted yes; motion carried.

**Mr. Treon** called for the vote for Vice-President for the two nominees: (Keith Roorbach & Richard Treon). Richard Treon received seven votes: (John Bonham, Richard Trobridge, Kim Windle, Karen Owen, Dennis Fox, John Woodmansee and Richard Treon). Keith Roorbach received four votes: (John Highley, Mark Bardsley, Rana Vctor and Keith Roorbach). Mr. Treon was elected the Vice-President by a vote of 7-4.

### **CONCERNS**

Mark Bardsley stated that he wanted to inform the Board that we had some things that happened last week that were brought to the City of Marion's and also the County Commissioners attention. He would like to reinforce the need for giving potential future businesses a vote of confidentiality in regards to name dropping. A prospective business almost declined to locate in Grant County due to their name leaking out into the community. Allegedly this was leaked through a county office that issues building permits; however, damage control has been done. Although it is obviously unknown if the information came from Area Plan Office or not, as a Board it is very important that we recognize what went on. Mr. Bardsley encouraged the Board and personnel to make sure we keep that mode of confidentiality on information regarding future businesses.

**Richard Treon** stated that he takes the issue of confidentiality very seriously. He cited the TV commercial that states, "If You've Heard it, It Ain't Coming," as an example of what breach of confidentiality could do.

**There being no other business to come before the Board, John Bonham moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m., Richard Trobridge seconded; motion carried.**

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**Richard Treon, Vice-President**