

**MINUTES of the GRANT COUNTY**  
**AREA BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

**August 3, 2020**

**A PUBLIC HEARING and A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS** were held on Monday, August 3 at 6:00 P.M. on the first floor of the Grant County Office Complex at 401 South Adams Street, Marion, Indiana.

The following members were present: Lois Jones, Bill Johnson, Rex Maynard, Ron Howe, Chip Long, Bob Monroe and Ed Hartman, Chairperson.

Staff present: Larry Strange, Executive Director; Bruce Elliott, Attorney; and Brenda Harrison.

1. Ed Hartman brought the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Roll Call.
3. Approval of Minutes
  - January 6, 2020 – Rex Maynard moved to approve, Lois Jones seconded. Ron Howe, Lois Jones, Chip Long, Rex Maynard, and Bob Monroe moved to approve. Bill Johnson abstained. Motion carried.
  - January 13, 2020 - Rex Maynard moved to approve, Lois Jones seconded. Lois Jones, Chip Long Rex Maynard and Ed Hartman moved to approve. Ron Howe, Bill Johnson, and Bob Monroe abstained. Motion carried.
  - January 21, 2020 – Ron Howe moved to approve. Lois Jones seconded. Ron Howe, Lois Jones, Chip Long, and Bob Monroe approved. Bill Johnson and Rex Maynard abstained. Motion carried.
4. Finding of Facts (none were due for consideration)
5. Public Hearing

**Docket: 01SP-20 (Public Hearing)**

**Name:** Randy Ballinger

**Address:** 7453 E 400 S, Marion

**Zoning District:** Residential Suburban

**Legal Description:** Being 301.71 acres, more or less, and located in the southwest quarter of Section 29 in Jefferson Township.

**Request:** To allow a radio tower for the county's emergency system.

Larry Strange introduced the request for petition.

Todd Durnell of Pyramid Consulting represented the petition and answered questions from the board.

Speaking for the petition:

- ✓ Michael Clayton, 302 S Washington
- ✓ Bruce Howard, 8511 E 750 S

Speaking against the petition:

- ✓ Ryan Richards, 7230 East 400 South
- ✓ Miles Leffler
- ✓ Paul Evers, 3985 S 700 E
- ✓ Paul Richards

The public hearing was closed. After discussion, the Board Chairperson delayed the hearing until the next meeting. On behalf of the board, the Chairperson requested the petitioner address some of the questions the board had. These included, but were not limited to, other sites considered, presence of a back-up plan, details about the memorandum of understanding, and the involvement of other commercial entities. In addition, the Chairperson requested that the owners of the property be in attendance when the meeting continues.

**Motion:** Bill Johnson moved to continue Docket #01SP-20 until the next meeting, Bob Monroe seconded. Ron Howe, Bill Johnson, Lois Jones, Chip Long, Rex Maynard, and Bob Monroe voted yes. Motion carried. Lois Jones moved to continue Docket #02SP-20 until the next meeting, Bob Monroe seconded. Ron Howe, Bill Johnson, Lois Jones, Chip Long, Rex Maynard, and Bob Monroe voted yes. Motion carried.

6. Adjournment

As the meeting had gone over the time limit and the other items on the agenda were board business, the Chairperson adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

  
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Ed Hartman, Chairperson