

**ELMORE COUNTY
PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Chairperson Osborn called the meeting to order. Members of the Elmore County Planning and Zoning Commission present were Vice Chairman K.C. Duerig, Betty Van Gheluwe, Sue Fish, and Shane Zenner. Also present were Attorney of Record Phillip Miller, Director Alan Christy and staff members Beth Bresnahan and Kacey Ramsauer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Osborn asked a local Boy Scout Troop in attendance to lead the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC MEETING

Ordinance Work Session

Christy stated he sent an email to the commission on proposed ordinance changes. He asked if residency requirements for planning and zoning commission members should stay the same as they are in the ordinance or if they should they match Idaho code. He stated that the ordinance has stricter requirements as it requires 5 years residency and Idaho code only requires 2 years. Commission consensus was to be consistent with Idaho code.

Christy stated that he attached the bylaws as an information item for the commission.

Christy stated that there is a conflict in the ordinance between chapters 4 and 7. He stated that chapter 4 states that appeals of a hearing examiner go to the board and chapter 7 states that appeals of the hearing examiner go to the commission. He stated that the county has never used a hearing examiner.

Commission consensus was that any appeal of the hearing examiner go to the board.

ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC

Tracy Wolfley was wondering if his family would be able to subdivide their property.

Christy stated that when someone wants to divide their property they first need to go to the Land Use and Building Department and set up a meeting to look at all of the characteristics of the property and go from there.

Jody Wolfley asked about paving requirements for Hog Farm Road, Smith Road, and the road that goes to the lake.

Christy stated in Elmore County there are highway districts in charge of county roads. He stated that he did hear there is a proposal to pave Smith Road and the other 2 roads in question would need to be addressed with the highway district.

Brad Fesperman asked if there were requirements in the county to keep properties clean and fenced.

Christy stated that there is a public nuisance ordinance in the county so if someone sees a violation they can file a complaint with the Land Use and Building Department to initiate an

investigation. He stated county code enforcement is complaint driven and not a full time position.

Fesperman asked why the speed limits change so rapidly on county roads from 45 mph to 35 mph.

Osborn stated the speed limits change because of the population in those areas. She stated in the areas of open fields and farm ground the speed limits increase.

Josh Meyers asked about the history of the planning and zoning commission.

Miller stated that the Local Land Use Planning Act was passed in 1974 which is a state law that gives local governments the authority to zone land. He stated that Elmore County adopted its first ordinance in 1994. He stated that this body is appointed by the board of county commissioners which is a 3 member board that is the governing body of Elmore County.

Brad Fesperman asked what can be done about peacocks roaming near his neighborhood. He stated that they live in a property in the county but nobody claims them.

Osborn stated to call animal control or the sheriff to see if they can help.

Minutes

Minutes from 3-18-2015.

Van Gheluwe moved to approve.

Fish seconded.

Motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

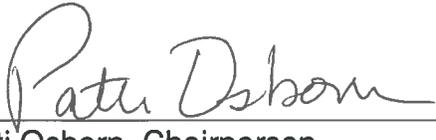
Upcoming P & Z Schedule.

Christy stated that the next scheduled public hearings are May 6th and May 20th.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Approved

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5-6-15

Patti Osborn, Chairperson

Date:

Attest: 
Alan Christy, Director

5-6-15

Date: