

Minutes of the Special Land Use and Development Committee Meeting

The Land Use and Development Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday July 16, 2013 at 8:15 a.m. in Room 404, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Gordon, Members Erickson, Brandt, Buchanan, and Pyne

Members Absent: Wendt

Other Board Members Present:

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator, Ms. Hannah Eisner, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Diana Hospelhorn, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/
Elected Officials
Present: Mr. Phil Dick, Director of Building and Zoning

Others Present: Mr. Mike Behary, County Planner

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

Chairman Gordon presented the Minutes of the June 6, 2013 Land Use and Development Committee Meeting for approval. He asked for any additions or corrections. Hearing none, he approved and placed the June 6, 2013 Land Use and Development Meeting minutes on file as submitted.

Chairman Gordon presented the bills from June 30, 2013 which have been reviewed and recommended for transmittal to the Land Use and Development Committee by the County Auditor. The prepaid total and fund total for June 30, 2013 is \$2,236.37. He asked for any objections to the bills.

Motion by Brandt/Pyne to recommend approval of the Land Use and Development Committee Bills for June 30, 2013.
Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon informed the Committee that the first item for action on the Agenda is the Public Hearing – Application of Vicki Strohl to approve a vacation plat for a portion of Oak Street in Old Town Township located immediately south of 8030 Elm Avenue, Downs, IL. Case number S-13-14. He declared the Public Hearing in session at 8:17 a.m.

Mr. Phil Dick, Director of Building and Zoning, referred to an aerial photo distributed by Mr. Mike Behary, County Planner. The applicant is requesting to vacate a 30 foot portion of the 50 foot right-of-way of Oak Street immediately south of Lot 9 in the Ryan Homes Second subdivision and immediately east of an already vacated portion of Oak Street in Old Town Township. Oak Street was never built or used as a road. Oak Street to the west was vacated in 1996.

Mr. Dick advised that the Public Hearing notice was published in the Pantagraph on June 12, 2013 and all required notifications were made.

The Old Town Township Road Commissioner indicated that he needs to keep the remaining 20 feet of Oak Street right-of-way to provide a cul-de-sac on Elm Avenue on which vehicles can turn around. He noted that the County Health Department, County Highway Department, Old Town Township Road Commissioner and Staff recommends

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approval of the right-of-way vacation plat for a 30 foot portion of the 50 foot right-of-way of Oak Street immediately south of Lot 9 in the Ryan Homes Second Subdivision and immediately east of an already vacated portion of Oak Street.

Mr. Dick stated that Ms. Vickie Strohl was present at the June 27, 2013 meeting. She is not available today. If there are any questions the Committee may have Mr. Mike Behary, County Planner, and Mr. Dick are available to answer those questions.

Chairman Gordon continued the Public Hearing asking if there were any additional comments or questions. Hearing none he closed the Public Hearing at 8:22 a.m.

Motion by Buchanan/Brandt to recommend approval of the Public Hearing – Application of Vicki Strohl to approve a vacation plat for a portion of Oak Street in Old Town Township located immediately south of 8030 Elm Avenue, Downs, IL. Case number S-13-14
Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon informed the Committee that the next item for action on the Agenda is the Request by the McLean County Regional Planning Commission to approve a Regional Planning Service Agreement for their fiscal year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

Ms. Brandt asked how long the County has been a part of this Service Agreement. Mr. Dick responded that a similar contract has been in place since 1993. Pryor to then all City of Bloomington Planners, Town of Normal Planners and McLean County Planners were housed at the Regional Planning Commission.

Motion by Pyne/Buchanan to recommend approval of the Request by the McLean County Regional Planning Commission to approve a Regional Planning Service Agreement for fiscal year July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
Motion carried.

Chairman Gordon continued with the items of Information. The Citizen Planner Greenways Workshop at Davis Lodge is November 8, 2013. He advised the Committee to contact Mr. Dick if they plan to attend.

Chairman Gordon stated that the next meeting of the Land Use and Development Committee will be August 1, 2013 at 3:30 p.m.

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Chairman Gordon asked if there was any other information to come before the Committee. Hearing none, he adjourned the Land Use and Development Committee Meeting at 8:24 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Hospelhorn
Recording Secretary