

Minutes of the Land Use and Development Committee Meeting

The Land Use and Development Committee of the McLean County Board met on Thursday May 3, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 400, Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman Chuck Erickson, Members, Don Cavallini, Laurie Wollrab, Jacob Beard, Ryan Scritchlow

Members Absent: Members George Wendt and Mark Johnson

Other Board Members Present:

Staff Present: Mr. Bill Wasson, County Administrator, Mr. Don Knapp, Assistant County Administrator, Ms. Jessica Woods, First Civil Assistant State's Attorney, and Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/ Mr. Phil Dick, Director of Building and Zoning,

Elected Officials Present:

Others Present:

Chairman Erickson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Erickson presented the minutes from the April 5, 2018 meeting for approval

Motion by Wollrab/Scritchlow to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2018 Land Use and Development Committee meeting.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Erickson presented the bills as of April 27, 2018 reviewed and recommended by the County Auditor. The prepaid total and fund total is \$6,885.90. He asked for any objections to the bills.

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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Land Use Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TOTAL	FUND TOTAL
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$6,885.90	\$6,885.90
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			\$6,885.90	\$6,885.90


COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Motion by Cavallini/Beard to recommend approval of the Land Use and Development Committee bills.

Motion carried.

Chairman Erickson presented for action a request by BDS Acres, Inc., by Julie Freed for a waiver of preliminary plan requirements and a one-lot subdivision final plat for the J. Freed Subdivision, File No. S-18-01. Mr. Phil Dick went over where the property was located and indicated request was so they could convey the farmhouse separately from the farmland. He indicated the request had been reviewed by the Highway Department, Health Department and the Township Road Commissioner has signed a plat access certificate.

Motion by Scritchlow/Cavallini to recommend approval of request by BDS Acres, Inc., by Julie Freed for a waiver of preliminary plan requirements and a one-lot subdivision final plat for the J. Freed Subdivision, File No. S-18-01.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Erickson indicate that the next item on the agenda was the positions filled report. Mr. Wasson stated that there were no positions filled in the last 30 days.

Mr. Erickson stated that under other Business Ms. Wollrab had a couple of things to present to the Committee and turned the floor over to her. Ms. Wollrab provided an updated on the meetings with Mr. Cavallini and Ms. Metsker regarding potential request to change the windfarm ordinance. Ms. Wollrab then provided information on solar energy. She stated that some had questioned whether solar energy could be produced in Illinois, so she provided information from her husband's business that has solar panels on it. She stated that the system collects data and shows that he produces enough solar power to cover the cost of his power needs. She went over charts that the system produces, which indicated that while power, varies throughout the year it is consistent over the years and does produce energy. She also went over information that indicated how much solar power it would produce over the life span of the product. Mr. Cavallini asked if panels were all installed at the same time. She confirmed they were. Mr. Beard asked if we anticipate getting more solar farm applications. Mr. Dick indicated he expects to have another application for next month. Mr. Dick indicated that each 2-megawatt farm is expected to power 300 homes. Mr. Beard asked if we had considered putting solar panels on some of the government buildings. Mr. Wasson stated that it had been looked at previously but because the cost of solar panels continues to decrease, we continue to periodically have conversations about the effectiveness of solar panels on the buildings.

Mr. Erickson asked if Administration would email out Ms. Wollrab's information. Mr. Wasson confirmed they would. Mr. Erickson asked if there were any windfarm applications before the County right now. Mr. Dick indicated they had no current applications on file. Ms. Wollrab asked how far in advance we know we are going to get an application. Mr. Dick indicated that they cannot share information before an application is on file because until then, information is confidential. Mr. Dick indicated that companies set up meetings in areas and set up local offices months in advance. He indicated that people put up signs and information is in the papers, so people who said they did not receive notice were not looking as the information was there. Mr. Dick stated that they encourage the companies to put information out for the public.

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Mr. Erickson stated that the next meeting would be on June 7, 2018 at 3:30.

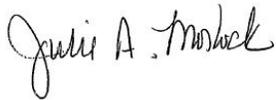
Mr. Erickson asked if there was anything further from the Committee; hearing nothing, he asked for a motion to adjourn

Motion by Scritchlow/Beard to adjourn the May 3, 2018 Land Use Committee meeting.

Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie A. Morlock".

Julie Morlock
Recording Secretary