

☞ Minutes ☞
Regular Meeting
Albany County Planning and Zoning Commission
March 12, 2014

Albany County Commissioner's Room

A regular meeting of the Albany County Planning and Zoning Commission was held on March 12, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the Albany County Board of County Commissioner's Meeting Room of the Albany County Courthouse.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Members present: David Cunningham, Brett Moline and John Spiegelberg

Staff present: Susan Adler, Stan Gibson and David Gertsch

County Engineer: None

Albany County Attorney Liaison: Jennifer Stone

Board of County Commissioners' Liaison: None

Public Present: Kimberly Starkey, Candy Hamaker and James Johnson

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:

Chairman Moline stated he would entertain a motion to excuse absent members.

Mr. Cunningham made a motion to excuse absent member Shaun Moore and Carl Miller of the Commission from the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. Mr. Spiegelberg seconded the motion. Motion carried on voice vote.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Chairman Moline indicated he would entertain a motion to accept the agenda as presented. Mr. Gertsch requested the discussion under Other Item/Announcements be moved ahead of Current Planning Projects. **Mr. Cunningham made a motion to approve the March 12, 2014, Planning and Zoning Commission meeting agenda as amended. Mr. Spiegelberg seconded the motion. Motion carried on voice vote.**

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Chairman Moline asked if there were any corrections to the meeting minutes for the February 12, 2014, Regular Meeting. **Mr. Cunningham made a motion to approve the Minutes for the February**

12, 2014, Regular Meeting as presented. Mr. Spiegelberg seconded the motion.

VI. DISCLOSURES – There were no disclosures.

VII. OTHER ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Discussion on Land Use Classification for Riding Arena - Mr.

Gertsch explained that staff had been approached about constructing a riding arena on a Commercial lot. Currently an arena is only listed in the zoning regulations as a conditional use in the Agricultural zone. In 2011, the County Planning Office permitted a riding arena in a commercial zone as part of a local veterinary clinic. Veterinary clinic is listed as an allowed use in commercial zone. Recreational facility is listed as a conditional use in a commercial zone. Recreational facility is defined as “a place designed and equipped for the conduct of sports and leisure-time activities”. Staff requested an opinion from the Planning and Zoning Commission on the usage of “similar and compatible use” to a veterinary clinic or recreational facility or should this use only be allowed in the Agricultural zone as a conditional use where it is currently listed? After discussion, the Planning and Zoning Commission indicated they felt a riding arena would fit into the Commercial land use classification as a recreational facility.

VIII. CURRENT PLANNING PROJECTS

A. Zoning Resolution Discussion – The Planning and Zoning Commission discussed Chapter VI and VII, **Mr. Cunningham made a motion to accept and incorporate the edits discussed March 12, 2014. Mr. Spiegelberg seconded the motion. Motion carried on voice vote.**

IX. OTHER ITEMS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Moline adjourned the meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Minutes taken by Susan Adler, Assistant Planner