



**CITY OF KNOX PLANNING COMMISSION
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Meeting Minutes: March 5, 2019

Members Present: Jim Strong, Brent VanNorman, Dan Allen, Bertha Blue, Don Kring, George Byer

Members Not Present: Ron Parker, John Wilson

Staff Present: Kenny Pfof, Martin Bedrock

Staff Not Present: N/A

The March 5, 2019 Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jim Strong. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, and Roll Call was performed. Member Allen made a motion to approve the February 5, 2019 minutes. Member VanNorman seconded the motion. Carried 6-0.

Two-Mile Jurisdiction: President Strong suggested that discussion on the Two-Mile Jurisdiction be put on hold until the Indiana Legislature decides whether or not changes will be made to it. Member Kring made a motion to table discussion on the Two-Mile Jurisdiction. Member Allen seconded the motion. Carried 6-0.

Re-zoning of 250 E. Discussion: President Strong presented the zoning map to the Commission and members of the public. He explained that Kankakee Valley REMC would like to put an electric sub-station at the northeast corner of County Road 50 South and County Road 250 East. In order to do that, the property would need to be re-zoned from C-2 General Commercial to M-2 Heavy Industrial. Then a Special Use permit would have to be granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals. President Strong explained that properties are only taxed on what they're used for. If a property is in an industrial area but used as residential, the property would be taxed as residential. Re-zoning the area could have a

positive impact on the growth of the industrial park. Four members of the public that live nearby expressed concern about large truck traffic increasing if the area is re-zoned. Members of the Commission explained that if an electric sub-station was erected, normal traffic would only consist of usual electric service trucks. Member Kring made a motion to set a public hearing to re-zone two areas:

1. The east side of County Road 250 East in between County Road 50 South (Pacific Ave.) and Division Road.
2. The north side of Division Road between County Road 250 East and County Road 300 East (Klockner Dr.).

Member Blue seconded the motion. Carried 6-0.

Other Business: There was no other business to discuss.

Adjournment: Member Kring made a motion for adjournment. Member Byer seconded the motion. Carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned.

Kenny Pfof
Director/Secretary