



**CITY OF KNOX PLANNING COMMISSION
101 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
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Meeting Minutes: August 4, 2020

Members Present: Don Kring, John Wilson, Brent VanNorman, Dan Allen, Todd Flagg, Jeff Berg, Jeff Houston, Ron Parker

Members Not Present:

Staff Present: Kenny Pfof, Todd Wallsmith

Staff Not Present: N/A

The August 4, 2020 Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by President Don Kring. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, and Roll Call was performed. There were no amendments to the agenda. Member Berg made a motion to approve the July 7, 2020 minutes. Member Houston seconded the motion. Carried 8-0.

Driveway Standards: There was discussion on Hudsonville, Michigan's ordinance. The Starke County Commissioners were presented with an ordinance pertaining to driveways at their last meeting. Secretary Pfof informed the Commission that the Starke County Highway Superintendent, Rik Ritzler, will be providing him with information pertaining to their proposed ordinance. Attorney Wallsmith stated that the State of Indiana has criteria for determining speed limits in residential areas. He said that as more homes are built in an area, the speed limit may change. Member Parker made a motion to table the discussion until the September meeting. Member Houston seconded the motion. Carried 8-0.

Two-Mile Jurisdiction: President Kring stated that the responsibility of the Planning Commission is planning and zoning. He said that building permits were included in that several years ago. President Kring also said that he would like Attorney Wallsmith to let the Starke County Commissioners and Planning Commission know that the Knox Planning

Commission no longer wants to issue building permits. Member Parker said that he agrees with President Kring's opinion. Attorney Wallsmith requested specific direction, in writing, on what the Commission is proposing to Starke County. There was further discussion on each entity's responsibilities pertaining to the Two-Mile Jurisdiction. Vice President Wilson made a motion that Attorney Wallsmith approach Starke County with the proposal that was discussed. Member VanNorman seconded the motion. Carried 8-0.

Citizen Comments: No one from the public was in attendance.

Other Business: Secretary Pfof gave an update for Jeremy Marsh's property on 200 South. He informed the Commission that he consulted Attorney John Molitor for advised on the "Log Cabin Law." Secretary Pfof stated that according to Attorney Molitor, the Commission does not have the authority to enforce the "Log Cabin Law" under Indiana Code I.C. 36-7-8-3.

Adjournment: Member Parker made a motion to adjourn. Member Allen seconded the motion. Carried 8-0.

Kenny Pfof
Director/Secretary