

Jefferson County Planning & Zoning

Oskaloosa, Kansas

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

Minutes of Planning Commission Meeting of February 23, 2015

Item 1. Call to Order.

Item 2. Approval of the Agenda

VICE CHAIR JOHNSON MAKES A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. COMMISSIONER CURRY SECONDED THE MOTION. Votes were taken by Ayes and Nays and recorded as follows:

Matt Scherer	Paul Johnson	Tim Bailey	Bret Frakes	Kelli Curry	Jerry White	Vacant
DNV	Aye	---	Aye	Aye	Aye	---

The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Item 3. Roll Call

Matt Scherer	Paul Johnson	Tim Bailey	Bret Frakes	Kelli Curry	Jerry White	Vacant
Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present	Present	---

Staff Members Sam Henderson, Zoning Administrator; Erin George, Planner I, were also present.

Item 4. Approval of the January 26, 2015 minutes.

Chair Scherer asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. No corrections were discussed.

Action: VICE CHAIR JOHNSON MAKES A MOTION TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 26, 2015 MINUTES AS PRESENTED, COMMISSIONER WHITE SECONDED THE MOTION. Votes were taken by Ayes and Nays as follows:

Matt Scherer	Paul Johnson	Tim Bailey	Bret Frakes	Kelli Curry	Jerry White	Vacant
DNV	Aye	---	Aye	Aye	Aye	---

The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Item 5. CHAIRMAN SCHERER OPENED THE PUBLIC HEARING

Comprehensive Plan Review:

Mr. Henderson presented the memo and reviewed the purpose of the annual review. General discussion of the Comprehensive Plan followed including possible amendments to the Commercial/Industrial Overlay to include the area along US 59 Hwy and K-16 Hwy between US 24 and McLouth as well as adding a Commercial Recreation overlay along roads with indirect or direct access to Perry Lake. The Planning Commission requested documentation of what CUPs have been approved along the proposed areas of amendment as well as examples of commercial recreation districts and definitions.

General sentiments expressed were that the existing Plan was adequate to meet the County's needs but might need to be refocused to encourage growth in the areas of the County that actually had been experiencing growth over the last decade or so, i.e. near Lawrence and Topeka, instead of only around the Cities. Support for facilitating development of recreational

commercial activities to take advantage of the draw of Perry Lake and integrating the Comprehensive Plan ideas more into the Zoning Regulations and the Subdivision Regulations was also shown.

Possibly including improvement districts in the commercial recreation overlay was also discussed, however a general consensus was reached to not include improvement districts at least initially due to the interplay with the district covenants and the County Regulations and previous history with some failed uses in improvement districts.

OPEN OF PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present to make comments.

END OF PUBLIC COMMENT

ACTION: COMMISSIONER FRAKES MAKES A MOTION TO POSTPONE CONSIDERATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS TO THE APRIL MEETING TO ALLOW STAFF TO COLLECT SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM PLANNING COMMISSIONERS REGARDING POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS AND TO GATHER INFORMATION REQUESTED DURING THE MEETING. COMMISSIONER CURRY SECONDS THE MOTION.

Votes were taken by Ayes and Nays and recorded as follows:

Matt Scherer	Paul Johnson	Tim Bailey	Bret Frakes	Kelli Curry	Jerry White	Vacant
DNV	Aye	---	Aye	Aye	Aye	---

The motion carried unanimously, 4-0.

Item 6. Public Comment

There were no members of the public present to comment.

Item 7. Old Business and General Staff Report:


Old Business: None.

General Staff Report: Staff updated the Commission on the status of cases from the previous month.

Item 8. New Business

Item 9. Adjournment

Action: Commissioner Frakes made a motion to adjourn. Vice Chair Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:07 PM.

Minutes taken by: 


 Sam Henderson, Zoning Administrator

Approved: March 23, 2015

 Date

Chairman: 

 Matt Scherer

Secretary: 

 Alex Noll Secretary