# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, AND PUBLIC HEARING August 3, 2022

The Jasper Plan Commission met on Wednesday, August 3, 2022. Notice was given in compliance with Indiana's Open Meeting Law.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Paul Lorey called the meeting to order at 7:15f p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

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# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the June 1, 2022, regular meeting were reviewed. Randy Mehringer made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. Dan Buck seconded it. Motion carried 8-0.

#### **STATEMENT**

President Paul Lorey read the following statement. "We are now ready to begin the public hearing scheduled for this evening. With respect to tonight's meeting and public hearings, we are hereby incorporating by reference into the record of tonight's meeting and public hearings, City of Jasper Ordinance Number 2016-30, entitled "Unified Development Ordinance of the City of Jasper, Indiana and its jurisdictional area" and any and all amendments thereto, and the City of Jasper Comprehensive Plan. Pursuant to Article VII, Sections 6 and 7 of the JPC rules of procedure, presentation by a Petitioner shall be limited to 15 minutes. The Call for remonstrators shall be limited to 20 minutes; with individuals limited to no more than 5 minutes at the President's discretion. However, in any case involving the vacation of a plat or part thereof, every other owner of land in the plat shall be given an opportunity to comment on the petition. In such case, at the President's discretion, each property owner may be limited to 3 minutes. Such time limits may be increased by majority vote of the board members present."

## **NEW BUSINESS**

# Access Easement Request - Ken Beck family/Bonita L. Schuler property

Phil Buehler, Brosmer Land Surveying & Engineering Inc., appeared before the board, on behalf of the Ken Beck family as well as Bonita Schuler. Mr. Buehler reported that Ken Beck's three children are half owners of 18.25 acres of property located off St. Charles Street.

Mr. Buehler noted there is a provision in Chapter Four, Section 17, of the City of Jasper's Unified Development Ordinance, that relates to the access requirement where the Plan Commission can grant an access easement when a lot has no road frontage. Mr. Buehler advised that Keith and Anita Hedinger would like to purchase the property and they are seeking assurances that they are not going to be required to connect the platted right of way of Pleasant View Drive to the east.

City Attorney, Renee Kabrick noted that one proposal to resolve the issue would be to vacate the Plat, excluding Lot #1. Ted Seger, son in law of Ken Beck, introduced himself. Mr. Seger reported that property owners would like to sell the property and are seeking assurances of the access easement and maintain the existing platted right-of-way.

Board member Randy Mehringer commented that he recalled from a prior Plan Commission meeting, that Good Samaritan was asked to extend Pleasant View so in the future it would be connected to St. Charles Street. Ms. Kabrick noted that per the City of Jasper Street Department, there was minimal concern about Pleasant View connecting as it would not carry a significant amount of traffic. City Engineer, Chad Hurm stated that Pleasant View and Highway 231 are not a safe location for an intersection due to sight visibility.

Keith Hedinger introduced himself. Mr. Hedinger stated it is he and his wife's intention is to build a single-family residence on the Beck family property. Mr. Hedinger noted that he and his wife are requesting a commitment that if they apply for a building permit, they would not be required to extend Pleasant View Drive. President, Paul Lorey, expressed his concerns about future subdivision of the 18.25 acres and did not want to make promises about future connectivity of Pleasant View.

There were no remonstrators present. After further discussion, Dan Buck made a motion to grant the requested access easement off the existing Pleasant View Right-of-Way on the west, seconded by Blake Krueger. The motion carried 7-1 with members Schuetter, Schmidt, Premuda, Krueger, Schnarr, Buck, and President Lorey voting in favor, and Randy Mehringer voting against.

#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Dana Schnarr made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Blake Krueger. The motion carried 8-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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Lisa Schmidt, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Becki Moorman