

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
PLAN COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA AND PUBLIC HEARING
November 6, 2019**

President Paul Lorey called the Regular Meeting of the Jasper Plan Commission to order at 7:37 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Paul Lorey, President	-Present	Dana Schnarr	-Present
Dan Buck, Vice President	-Present	Patrick Lottes	-Absent
Lisa Schmidt, Secretary	-Present	Ryan Schuetter	-Present
Randy Mehringer	-Present	Chad Hurm, City Engineer	-Present
Lisa Arvesen	-Present	Darla Blazey, Director of C.D./Planning	-Present
Earl Schmitt	-Present	Renee Kabrick, City Attorney	-Present
Greg Schnarr	-Present		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes of the October 2, 2019 regular meeting were reviewed. Randy Mehringer made a motion to approve the minutes as mailed. Ryan Schuetter seconded it, and the motion carried 10-0.

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 a majority vote of the board members present.”

OLD BUSINESS

UDO topics for consideration

Discussion continued regarding finalizing changes to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The first topic was allowing various sized kennels in different zones. City Attorney Renee Kabrick explained the proposed changes, which range between small, medium and large sizes in RR, B1, B3, I1 and I2 zones.

Following more conversation regarding the option to allow a fence or cover around swimming pools, the language was unanimously deleted from the proposed document, along with allowing an applicant to request a variance before the Board of Zoning Appeals. Members shared their concerns that the topic was a public safety issue and is greater than just building standards.

Concerning the compatibility in style and materials of accessory structures, the changes would not require A1 zones to be compatible with the primary structure.

City Attorney Kabrick finished explaining some changes regarding code enforcement policies, then told the board she would revise the proposed document and present it at the December meeting for discussion and recommendation to the Common Council for final approval.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Greg Schnarr made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lisa Arvesen. Motion carried 10-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Paul Lorey, President

Lisa Schmidt, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Kathy Pfister