

Zoning Ordinance Review Committee

June 1, 2015

Minutes

The Zoning Ordinance Review Committee met June 1, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Training room at the Public Safety Building. Randy Keith called the meeting to order. Attending were: Randy Keith, Jerry Edwards, Jim Reed, Elsie Robinson, Randy Shumard, Jon White, Keri Nusbaum, Ray Spencer and Michael Nolan.

MOTION

Motion was made by Randy Shumard, seconded by Elsie Robinson to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2015 meeting as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Keri began reading through the ordinance. The committee will recommend to change the date noted to June, 2010, the date of the latest comprehensive plan. It was agreed that #3 needs to be the core of the ordinance. Jon White asked if portions of Article I could be struck, as there is repetition in Article V. It will be left for now, until the portions that repeat are reviewed.

MOTION

Jim Reed motioned, seconded by Jerry Edwards to recommend the word "included" be changed to "includes" in section 4(b). All in favor, motion carried.

Keri will look up and report back as to the reference at the top of page 3 to (55 ILCS 5/5-12001 et seq), and the references to the articles on page 2.

Jim Reed brought up that we need to think about the definition of "main building" as we move forward. Which is the main building?

There was discussion regarding Article II Section H, allowing for mobile and manufactured homes used exclusively for seasonal farm help. This may need to be addressed to make sure the mobile home could not be left on the parcel permanently to be used seasonally. Ideas were: a new class of permit, a time limit for this type of housing, or to be taxed as real property after a certain time. Perhaps a clause should be added for non-farm temporary housing as well, such as a large construction project.

MOTION

Elsie Robinson made a motion, seconded by Randy Shumard to add "word" before "person" in the first paragraph of page 5 (ARTICLE III.DEFINITIONS) for continuity and clarity. All in favor, motion carried.

Randy Keith asked the members to consider if the average citizen would understand and agree with the definitions as written. Jim Reed will check with the Farm Bureau and the Extension office regarding the definition of agricultural activity.

The next meeting will begin at the fourth section of page 6.

The next committee meeting will be held June 15, 2015 at 6:30 at the Public Safety Building.

MOTION

Elsie Robinson moved, seconded by Jim Reed to adjourn. All in favor, motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum

Piatt County Zoning Officer