

Zoning Ordinance Review Committee

June 6, 2016

Minutes

The Zoning Ordinance Review Committee met Monday June 6, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Training room at the Public Safety Building. Randy Keith called the meeting to order. Attending were committee members: Randy Keith, Jon White, Jerry Edwards, Elsie Robinson, Michael Nolan, and Keri Nusbaum. Jim Reed and Ray Spencer joined later.

MOTION: Motion was made by Edwards, seconded by Robinson to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2016 meeting as written. All in favor, motion carried.

The county engineer has reviewed the parking requirements of the current ordinance and he thinks it is sufficient.

One of the questions the committee had was should we have limits on the number of vehicles which can be parked at a single family residence. Jim Reed thought we should require more minimum parking since people own more cars now. Keith said government should not be involved in every decision, business owners can make those decisions themselves.

The committee began reviewing the list of things that had been left to return to. The first item on the list was 'a definition of the main building'. It is referred to several times in the ordinance but not defined. The committee looked at the definitions other counties and cities have.

The committee will recommend the addition of a definition for main building to be – The building or structure in which the main use of the lot or parcel is located. Storage buildings, garages, and other accessory uses and structures shall not be considered main buildings.

The committee decided to leave the zoning districts as they are now, after looking at some examples from Dewitt and Moultrie counties.

Keri will look at the diagrams Jon has and report back with the diagrams she thinks would be helpful to include in an Appendix.

The committee will recommend a change to page 9 to change the definition to –'Lot, Platted' to be consistent with the rest of the definitions.

We will return to page 9 to the mobile home definition. There was quite a bit of discussion regarding adding wording for temporary housing. It was suggested we might need a separate definition regarding temporary housing, such as for migrant workers. Should there be a temporary seasonal permit available for seasonal housing? What would be the density requirements? Reed said the definition now only exempts them from density and lot area requirements. It was suggested that it should be recommended that the word "temporary" be

added before “seasonal farm help”. Keri will bring the new statute which went into effect January 1, 2016 and the committee will begin here next time.

The next meeting will be June 20 at 6:30 p.m.

MOTION: Jim Reed made motion, seconded by Elsie Robinson to adjourn. All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum

Piatt County Zoning Officer