

CITY OF PIQUA, OHIO
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2010 - 6:00 P.M.
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX - ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER

6:00 P.M. – Vice Chairman Oda called the meeting to order. Mr. Oda noted for the record the hearing of each item would be conducted according to a modified Roberts Rules of Order, more specifically as follows:

- A. Clerk to State the Agenda Item
- B. Staff Comments
- C. Applicant/Agent Comments
- D. Other Affected Parties Comments
- E. Board Member Comments and Questions
- F. Board To Take Action On The Item

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Jim Oda, Jean Franz, Mark Spoltman, Brad Bubb, and Mike Taylor
Members Absent:
Staff Members: Chris Schmiesing, Becky Cool
Attendees:

MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Spoltman asked if there were additions, deletions or corrections to be made to the November 3, 2009 meeting minutes included in the agenda packet. Mr. Oda made a motion to approve the November 3, 2009 meeting minutes as submitted, and Mr. Bubb seconded the motion. Mr. Oda, Aye: Mr. Bubb, Aye: Mrs. Franz, Aye: and Mr. Spoltman, Aye. A roll call vote resulted in a 4 -0 vote in supporting the motion to approve the meeting minutes as submitted.

NEW BUSINESS

1. PC-01-09

A Resolution nominating and electing the Planning Commission Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for the 2009 calendar year.

Mr. Schmiesing stated the purpose of this resolution is to nominate a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson to the Planning Commission for the year 2010 and asked for nominations.

Board Member Mike Taylor joined the meeting at 6:03 P.M.

Mr. Schmiesing stated there is a proper procedure to follow for the nominations and explained.

Chairman Spoltman asked the clerk to call a roll call of the Board Members, and asked that they state yes or no to declare their interest in being nominated for Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Planning Commission for the year 2010.

Mr. Bubb nominated Mark Spoltman as Chairman and Jim Oda as Vice Chairman. Jean Franz seconded the nominations. Nominations were closed.

Motion was made by Mr. Bubb, seconded by Mrs. Franz, to approve the nominations of Mark Spoltman as Chairman and Jim Oda as Vice Chairman of the Piqua Planning Commission for

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the year 2010. Mr. Oda, Aye; Mr. Bubb, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mrs. Franz, Aye; and Mr. Spoltman, Aye. Nay, None. A voice vote resulted in a 5-0 vote to approve the nominations of Mr. Spoltman for Chairman and Mr. Oda as Vice-Chairman for the Piqua Planning Commission for the year 2010.

2. PC-02-10

A Resolution recommending the Planning Commission appointment to the Board of Zoning Appeals for the 2010 calendar year.

Motion was made by Mr. Oda to insert the name of Mark Spoltman in the blank to serve as the representative on the Board of Zoning Appeals and to adopt the resolution, seconded by Mrs. Franz. Voice vote, Mr. Oda, Aye; Mr. Bubb, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mrs. Franz, Aye; and Mr. Spoltman, Aye. Nay, None. A voice vote resulted in a 5-0 vote to approve the nomination of Mr. Spoltman to serve as representative on the Board of Zoning Appeals, and to approve the resolution.

OTHER BUSINESS

Plan It Piqua – Status Report and 2010 Work Plan

Chris Schmiesing handed out a copy of the Implementation Progress Report, and gave a brief overview of the various comprehensive goals staff will focus on in 2010.

Several questions were asked concerning the progress if any on the Zollinger Building ,and the mixed housing use that was approved on R.M. Davis Parkway earlier in the year. Mr. Schmiesing explained he has been in contact with the proposed purchaser of the Zollinger building and his plans are to still move forward and he hopes to get back with the city sometime in January or February. Mr. Schmiesing reported the proposed housing project on R. M. Davis Parkway failed to receive funding from the State of Ohio and is essentially dead.

There was discussion of the changing of the traffic light to a four-way stop at Wayne and High/ Market streets and how it has affected the pedestrian movements at this location. Mr. Schmiesing noted that the comments received have been overwhelmingly positive and that the pedestrian concern is something that will be addressed with modifications to the curb lines at such time funding becomes available.

Mr. Schmiesing commented that the Development Office will also be very active in supporting the 2010 Census effort and noted that federal funding dollars channeled to the community are directly tied to the census count. Thus, it is very important to get an accurate count when taking the Census, said Mr. Schmiesing. A Complete Count Committee is being formed and the kickoff meeting will be held January 26th to explain what the census count is and why it is so important. Mr. Oda offered a room at the Piqua Library for any census meetings if needed.

Mr. Schmiesing noted that the presentation merely highlights the key activities staff will be working on in 2010.

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Mrs. Franz commented on the resistance to the possible annexation of land recently presented to the City Commission. Mr. Schmiesing stated that some of the concerns relate to misinformation suggested about the short term and long term fiscal impact to the city if the land is annexed. Mr. Schmiesing noted that staff is preparing a fiscal impact analysis that will be used to better inform the City Commission and the community concerning the benefits to approving the annexation.

Adopt 2010 Meeting Schedule

Mr. Schmiesing noted there are two dates the Planning Commission would have to meet early due to the Piqua City Commission Meetings being held the same evening due to the Holidays. Mr. Schmiesing also noted that there has been discussion among the City Commissioners about moving the City Commission meeting to Tuesdays, and that if this were to come to fruition the Planning Commission meeting time and/or day may need to be modified. There was a brief discussion concerning the possible date and time for the Planning Commission Meetings, but nothing was changed at this time.

Moved by Mr. Oda, seconded by Mr. Taylor to adopt the 2010 Piqua City Planning Commission Meeting Schedule as provided. Voice vote, Mr. Oda, Aye; Mr. Bubp, Aye; Mr. Taylor, Aye; Mrs. Franz, Aye; and Mr. Spoltman, Aye. Nay, None. Motion resulted in a 5-0 voice vote to adopt the 2010 Piqua City Planning Commission Meeting Schedule as provided.

Membership Review

Mr. Schmiesing stated the terms of the Planning Commission seat held by Jim Oda and Mike Taylor will be expiring in March of 2010 and noted that if they would like to be considered to fill the next five-year term they would need to complete an application and turn it in by the first of February to the City Managers Office.

Monthly Report

Mr. Schmiesing provided an update to the Planning Commission on legislative items, planning activities, permit issuances and other items of interest to the Planning Commission that occurred over the previous two months.

Mr. Schmiesing stated next month Bill Murphy Assistant City Manager/Economic Development Director will be in attendance to give a brief overview of the Economic Development 2010 Work Plan.

Mr. Schmiesing also invited the Planning Commission to attend a public participation meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2010 at 6:00 P.M. to discuss the REDevelopment Opportunities Plan (REDO).

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to conduct it was moved and seconded that the regular meeting be adjourned. With all those present in favor the regular meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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