

MINUTES

PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearings

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Arnold Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Brian McArthur at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS: Del Williams, Michelle Hohmeier (excused), Cricket Whaley (excused), Brian McArthur, Ralph Sippel, Ted Brandt, Frank Kutilek, Jeff Campbell, Andrew Sutton, Todd Teuscher, Mary Holden, Christie Hull-Bettale, Dan Bish and Bob Sweeney. 8 voting members present, 2 excused.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Jeff Campbell to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Ralph Sippel. Voice Vote – *Unanimously Approved*.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Jeff Campbell to approve the minutes from the March 12, 2013 meeting as presented. Second by Ted Brandt. Voice Vote – *Unanimously Approved*.

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR: Bill Moritz, outgoing Ward 2 Councilman, thanked the Planning Commission for their service stating he has the deepest respect for what they do. Great job with the Comprehensive Plan. He is taking a job change and will not be running for City Council. He would like to make one last request which is he would like the sign ordinance revised to eliminate signs on truck trailers.

STAFF REPORT:

- a. **Proposed By-Laws for Planning Commission:** Mary asked for more comments.

Ted Brandt asked if there is a provision about how long before vacancies can be filled. Mary stated that there is currently no time frame. Bob Sweeney recommends that vacancies in any offices shall be filled at the earliest opportunity by the Commission.

Jeff Campbell feels 10 missed meetings allowed is excessive and should be lowered.

Del Williams recommended 8.

Voice poll taken and approved to reduce number of missed meetings to 8.

Andrew Sutton suggested stating that 2/3 majority of entire Planning Commission to approve a by-law change. It should be a difficult task, not just a majority vote of those present.

Voice poll taken and approved to make it a 2/3 full membership requirement.

Bob Sweeney stated that under the special meetings provision, please note that the chair and three (3) Commissioners are currently needed to call a special meeting. The Commission may want to revise to allow the Chair *and/or* three (3) Commissioners can call a special meeting.

General discussion on emails, email pools and email rules concerning sunshine laws. Bob stated the number involved should be five (5) or less to avoid forming a quorum.

- b. **Tree Preservation:** Mary pointed out and discussed recent comments that were added. HBA has asked to meet with her to review their comments. Mary asked Brian, Andrew, Jeff, Todd and anyone else to join her in the meeting but would prefer a small group if possible. HBA will likely have 4 or 5.

OLD BUSINESS: Ted Brandt confirmed that Burlington Coat Factory was just a rumor. Mary stated that it is a rumor.

Frank Kutilek asked about the Church behind Applebee's and whether or not they are going to start towing cars. Mary stated she checked and all is fine, the Church is not looking to tow.

Frank Kutilek also asked the status of the kennel on Old Lemay Ferry. Mary stated she would check into it.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT: Everyone wished a Happy Easter to each other!

Jeff Campbell thanked everyone for the flowers for his mother's passing.

Andrew Sutton thanked Staff for their work on the By-Laws and the Tree Preservation.

Brian McArthur reported a big pot hole on Wicks Rd. that needs urgent attention.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd Teuscher
Planning Commission Secretary