

**MINUTES**  
**BARTHOLOMEW COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013 AT 8:30 A.M.**  
**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 123 WASHINGTON STREET**  
**COLUMBUS, INDIANA**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Zack Ellison (President), Rick Flohr, Tom Finke (Secretary), Don Meier, Kris Medic, Lisa Moore, Phyllis Apple, Jason Newton, Jorge R. Morales and Dave Hayward (Liaison from the City Plan Commission).

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jeff Bergman, Thom Weintraut, Melissa Begley, Sondra Bohn, Allie Keen, Cindy Boll (Deputy County Attorney) and Danny Hollander (County Engineer).

Mr. Ellison introduced the three new Plan Commission members. Kris Medic who would be representing the County Extension Office, Rick Flohr who would be representing the Bartholomew County Commissioners and Jason Newton who is appointed by the Bartholomew County Commissioners.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Ms. Apple reported that the Nominating Committee had nominated Zack Ellison, President, Lisa Moore as Vice President and Tom Finke as Secretary.

Motion: Mr. Morales made a motion to approve the slate of officers as presented. Mr. Meier seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of the December 12, 2012 Meeting (Approval and Signing).

Motion: Ms. Moore made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Finke seconded the motion and it carried unanimously by voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS REQUIRING COMMISSION ACTION**

None

**NEW BUSINESS REQUIRING COMMISSION ACTION**

**MI/P-13-02: Meyer-Steinwedel Minor Subdivision** – A request by Stanley and Nancy Meyer to create 1 new lot and an agriculture tract totaling 20.27 acres, including a modification request from the Bartholomew County Subdivision Control Ordinance Section 8.27 to create an agriculture tract of 17.45 acres, 2.55 acres less than the required 20 acres. The property is located on the northeast corner of County Roads 1000 East and 75 South, in Clifty Township.

Mr. Meier left the meeting at this time due to a conflict of interest.

Mr. Weintraut presented the background information on this request.

Mr. Ted Darnall with Crowder & Darnall Surveying and Matt Steinwedel represented the petitioners.

Mr. Ellison opened the meeting to the public.

There was no one to speak for or against this request.

Mr. Ellison closed the meeting to the public.

Motion: Mr. Morales made a motion to approve this request with the following modification: (1) to create an agricultural tract of less than 20 acres. Ms. Apple seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 7-1 with Mr. Finke being the nay vote.

Mr. Meier returned to the meeting.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Discussion of Joint City-County Plan Commission and BZA Meeting**

Mr. Bergman stated that the annual Joint City-County Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals meeting would be held in the near future. He stated some people had asked for a refresher course on the decision criteria for each of the different types of cases. He stated it is an opportunity for the members to talk together regarding issues. Mr. Bergman stated that some projects that staff has been working on would be reviewed. He also stated that the Mayor and the Bartholomew County Commissioners would be asked to attend and speak on broader City and County's issues and how the Plan Commission could play a role.

### **Appointment of a Liaison to the Columbus Plan Commission**

Tom Finke was nominated as liaison to the Columbus Plan Commission.

### **Appointment of a Liaison to the Hope Plan Commission**

Phyllis Apple was nominated as a liaison to the Hope Plan Commission.

### **Appointment of Plat Committee Members and Alternates**

Tom Finke, Kris Medic, Dennis Brooks, Stacy Gross and Jeff Bergman were nominated to the Bartholomew County Plat Committee and Melissa Begley was nominated as an alternate for Mr. Bergman.

### **Appointment of a Board of Zoning Appeals Member.**

Zack Ellison was nominated to the Board of Zoning Appeals from the Plan Commission

Motion: Mr. Morales made a motion to approve the nominations of members listed to the various

Boards and Commissions. Mr. Flohr seconded the motion and it passed unanimously by voice vote.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Bergman congratulated Rae-Leigh Stark, Senior Planner from the Planning Department who has been chosen for one of the **2013 20 Under 40 Awards**, which is sponsored by the Republic and Columbus Young Professionals. She will be recognized at a reception in the future.

**ADJOURNMENT: 9:20 a.m.**

  
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**Zack Ellison, President**

  
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**Tom Finke, Secretary**

