

CITY OF RUSHVILLE



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MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE RUSHVILLE ADVISORY PLAN COMMISSION

May 24, 2017
6:00P.M.

Call to Order: The Rushville Advisory Plan Commission met on the above date and time at the Rushville Council Chambers at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. President Stan Richards called the meeting to order at 6:00P.M.

ROLL CALL: Shawn Adkins, Brad Berkemeier, Doug Corn, Jeff Houser, Dick Malcom, Joe Rathz, Stan Richards.

Consultant Shelly Wakefield, Attorney Grant Reeves and Deputy Director Carmen Clark were also in attendance.

MINUTES:

Dick made a motion to approve the April 26, 2017 minutes. Brad seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Subdivision: 17-S-01- The City of Rushville requested a continuance on the subdivision for the property located at 1544 N. Spencer Street. Rushville. Joe made a motion to continue to the June 28th meeting. Brad seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Text Amendment: An ordinance to amend the City of Rushville Zoning Ordinance, Article III, Section K, CO, Corridor Overlay District, more specifically: Article III, K: 2: f: vi: (2) Public Spaces.

Consultant Shelly Wakefield explained to the board why the change to the ordinance is needed. Shelly stated there are two public spaces requirements in the Corridor Overlay District and unfortunately many were getting stuck on the clock and not being more creative. She also stated that the requirement is to be 2000 square feet for a public space. That is a very large requirement. The change will be for a 500 square foot requirement.

Public Hearing: President Stan Richards opened the public hearing. There was none. Brad made a motion to close the public hearing. Jeff seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Dick asked if the amendment passes can petitioners still ask for a variance. Yes they can. Joe stated he felt the board is wimping out a bit. He feels the 500 feet is too small especially for large projects such as the jail. He thinks it should vary on the size of the project. He feels the art requirement should still be there. It is the architect's job to create it. He stated other communities are able to do it. Carmel requires this or puts the money in an art fund. Joe stated he sent an email today to Shelly and the Mayor with regarding this issue. Stan said he is going to play the

devil's advocate. Stan wanted to know what other communities more our size are doing such as Greensburg or Connersville. Joe said more research needed to be done but he felt we should be more forward thinking. Dick said the board could continue for thirty days and there could be more research.

There was question and discussion regarding putting the art fund money in an account with the Rush County Community Foundation. Grant said he would look into where the funds are and what the protocols are.

Dick made a motion to continue the text amendment for 30 days until the next meeting on June 28. Joe seconded the motion. All in favor with the exception of Brad. Brad voted nay for the continuance. Motion carried.

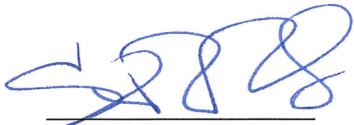
REPORTS:

Deputy Director: None.

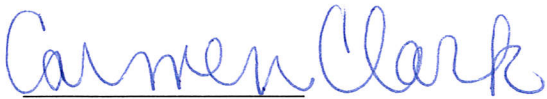
Attorney: None.

Consultant: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Jeff made a motion to adjourn. Brad seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 P.M.



Stanley Richards, President



Carmen Clark, Deputy Director