

Kearney Township Planning Commission
Meeting Notes
January 22.2024 Regular Meeting

Call to Order at 7:00 PM EDT

Members present: S. Alger, L Elrod, D. Jacques, T. Murray, C Rix

Pledge of Allegiance

Conflict of Interest – None reported.

Jacques moved to approve of the agenda as distributed. Second by Rix, Carried

Murray moved to approve of minutes of the December meeting as corrected. Second by Rix, Carried

Correspondence:

- a. Short Term Rentals
 - Vickie Krigner, et al
 - Amanda Krigner & Jeremey Mayer
 - John Hackman
 - Kara & Nathan Schroer
 - Tracey & Chris Wittke
 - Ryan Hansen letter to Township Board
 - Kathy Mantey
- b. Others

Public Comment:

- Kara Schroer – Read email previously submitted.
- Kathy Mantey – Read email previously submitted.
- Kevin Giar – Suggested easing restrictions on storing plated trailers on personal property.
- Scott Bicknell – value of STR in the development of Shanty Creek and other Township Resorts. Vally View should be in an RR District not R1. 1994 court case applied to timeshares not STR. If STRs are banned, LTRs should also be banned for consistency and no one wants to ban LTRs. Leave policing STRs to the HOA.
- Katelen Barry – Value of STRs to local economy.

Reports

- Township Official: Steve – no report.
- Zoning Administrator: Dan reported one permit had been issued.
- ZBA: Annual Meeting was held January 8, Officers were reelected and a proposed Zoning Appeals form was reviewed and recommended. No appeals have been filed.

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Old Business

- Master Plan: with Township Board for review.

New Business

- a. Election of Officers:
 - a. Alger nominated Elrod to serve as Chair for 2024, second Murray, carried.
 - b. Alger nominated Murray to serve as Vicechair for 2024, second Rix, carried.
 - c. Alger nominated Jacques to serve as Secretary for 2024, second Murray, carried.
- b. Commercial Event Facility language for Feb Hearing
 - a. Alger moved to remove Section 5.01N paragraph 2, second Murray, carried.
 - b. Alger moved to amend Section 5.01N paragraph F to read "Overnight Accommodations. No overnight accommodations shall be provided in temporary structures such as tents or recreational vehicles." Second Jacques, Carried.
 - c. Alger moved to add the word "state" before "fire code" in 5.01N paragraph G. Second Rix, carried.
- c. Ordinance Review: Chapter 3 (General Provisions through Section 3.25.)
- d. Anything that may come before the Commission.

Public Comment: - none

Commission Comments:

Jacques

Rix moved to Adjourn @ 8:59 PM EDT. Second Murray, Carried

Motions:

1. To approve of agenda as modified.
2. To approve of minutes of the December meeting.
3. To elect Elrod to serve as Chair for 2024.
4. To elect Murray to serve as Vicechair for 2024.
5. To elect Jacques to serve as Secretary for 2024.
6. To remove Section 5.01N paragraph 2 of proposed Commercial Event Facility Ordinance
7. To amend Section 5.01N paragraph F to read "Overnight Accommodations. No overnight accommodations shall be provided in temporary structures such as tents or recreational vehicles." of proposed Commercial Event Facility Ordinance
8. To add the word "state" before "fire code" in 5.01N paragraph G of proposed Commercial Event Facility Ordinance.
9. To Adjourn

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Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R E Jacques", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

R E Jacques
Secretary