

AGRICULTURE, ZONING AND EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 6, 2019 MEETING

The committee chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at the Livingston County Historic Courthouse, 112 W. Madison St., Pontiac, Illinois and roll call was taken.

Present: Jason Bunting, Gerald Earing, Patrick Killian, Steven Lovell and John Slagel.

Absent: Paul Ritter, Tim Shafer.

Others Present: Additional County Representatives included: Non Committee County Board member Linda Ambrose and Livingston County Executive Director Alina Hartley. Dennis and Carol Wenger representing Livingston County Zoning Case SF-1-19 were also present.

Committee Chair Jason Bunting commented about the agenda for this August 6, 2019 meeting, Patrick Killian moved, seconded by Steven Lovell, that this agenda be approved as proposed to be amended. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all ayes.

Committee Chair Jason Bunting then referred to the minutes of the July 2, 2019 committee meeting. Gerald Earing moved, seconded by John Slagel, that these meetings minutes be approved as presented. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all ayes.

Business:

Zoning Cases SF-1-19 and V-4-19 – Wenger

This property development proposal pertains to an application for the approval of a final plat of subdivision. The property in question in this zoning case is a 5.75 acre parcel of land located on the end of Pine St. in an unincorporated area in the west area of Fairbury in Section 10 of Indian Grove Township. This is a proposed 2 lot subdivision to allow for a lot to be created for future residential development, while leaving the existing farm buildings on their own lot. A variance request in lot width is also being requested, in that as the property is proposed to be divided to have one lot having a width of 35 feet instead of 150 feet in this AG, Agriculture, District property. The zoning administrator reviewed the plat of this proposed property division with the committee members, with this review including the location of the property in reference to the corporate limits of the City of Fairbury. The committee was also informed that the Livingston County Regional Planning Commission reviewed this proposed subdivision at their July 29, 2019 meeting, and they recommend the approval of this zoning case. The Livingston County Zoning Board of Appeals approved the lot frontage element of this proposed subdivision at their August 1, 2019 meeting. The applicants in these zoning cases Dennis and Carol Wenger commented about the history of the subject property and this land division proposal. A discussion then took place between the committee members and the Wenger's in regard to Pine Street ending on their property and the potential of annexing the subject property to the City of Fairbury. The Wenger's commented that they had discussed this proposal with the City of Fairbury, and that they continue to discuss a potential annexation with the City of Fairbury. The location of City sewer and water services was talked about, along with the previously noted fact of Pine St. ending on the Wenger property. As potential options of developing property around subject property are considered, the Wenger's continue to be open to continuing their conversation with the City of Fairbury regarding annexation options. However, the Wenger's prefer to keep the property in the unincorporated area of the county for the time being.

Patrick Killian moved, seconded by Gerald Earing, that this committee recommend the approval of Livingston County Zoning Cases SF-1-19 and V-4-19. This motion was approved by a voice vote of all ayes.

Solid Waste Report – Review of a synopsis of solid waste related documents:

Printed copies monthly synopsis document reviews were presented to and reviewed with the committee members. These reports and discussion on these reports focused on reports regarding the landfill gas system, NPDES reports, groundwater monitoring results, private well sampling results and leachate treatment. Dialogue on these documents then took place. The committee was informed that a Livingston Landfill open house was scheduled for August 9th, from 11 am to 1 pm. Monthly host agreement fund information was also provided to the committee.

Recycling Projects Update:

All of the electronics and some of the batteries have been taken by the recycling company. The future on proceeding prudently in these projects was discussed, including an upcoming meeting on the future of battery recycling.

Property Use Complaints Process Updates:

A process of sending complaint letters to property owners has started and will continue. The committee will continue be updated on this project at future meetings.

All Hazards Mitigation Plan Update:

The next mitigation planning meeting will follow this meeting at 7 pm.

September Committee Meeting Date:

Because of the zoning administrator having a conflict with the regular September committee meeting date, the committee agreed to hold their September meeting at 5 pm on September 12th.

Other Issues to Come Before the Committee:

Review and Approval of Bills:

An invoice with a total amount of \$ 708.75 from Deigan and Associates, LLC for Professional Services for the period from June 25, 2019 to July 17, 2019 relating to landfill monitoring and technical reviews of Republic/Allied Waste's Livingston and Streator Area Landfills, for environmental/solid waste landfill consulting service to Livingston County was submitted to the committee. Patrick Killian moved, seconded by Steven Lovell, that this committee approve the payment of this invoice. This motion was approve by a voice vote.

Adjournment:

Then Patrick Killian moved, seconded by Gerald Earing, that this meeting be adjourned. This motion was approved unanimously.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Charles T. Schopp, Administrator
Livingston County Regional
Planning Commission