

MINUTES OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
HELD ON JANUARY 3, 2021, STARTING AT 7:00 PM
IN THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE
112 W. MADISON ST. PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m..

Roll call was taken.

Those present were: Michael Haberkorn, Dean Wahls, Dee Woodburn, Scott Sand, Rudy Piskule, and John Slagel

Those absent were: Jerry Gaspardo, Shane Long, Ed Hoerner, Verne Taylor, and Keith Bahler

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

The agenda to this meeting was mentioned by Haberkorn. With no recommendations for additions or amendments to the agenda for this January 3, 2021 meeting, Dee Woodburn moved, seconded by John Slagel, that the agenda for this meeting be approved as presented. This motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the October 4, 2021 meeting and the December 6, 2021 meeting were noted. With no needed amendments or corrections noted, John Slagel moved, seconded by Scott Sand that both sets of meeting minutes be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

BUSINESS:

ZT-1-22 – Livingston County Board

This zoning case pertained to a review of a proposed zoning text amendment that was initiated by the Livingston County Board. The request pertained to amending the county ordinance as it relates to the procedure of final special use approval for mineral extraction sites as well as airports. The proposed amendment would give the Livingston County Board the authority of giving final approval for those special use requests.

The assistant zoning administrator gave an overview to the commission members as to the history of the request and the discussions that led up to starting the process of this zoning text amendment. The assistant zoning administrator noted that action items that are given final approval by a board of elected members holds more weight in court than a decision from an appointed board such as the planning commission or the zoning board of appeals.

There was then a question by a commission member as to the specific minerals that would be included in “mineral extraction”. The zoning administrator explained that there is a separate section

of the ordinance that specifies what minerals are acceptable for extraction under the mineral extraction special use which would not change.

With there being no further questions, Rudy Piskule made a motion, seconded by Scott Sand that zoning case ZT-1-22 be recommended for approval.

The motion was then approved by roll call vote:

Jerry Gasparido:	Absent – No Vote	Dean Wahls:	Yes
Michael Haberkorn:	Yes	Dee Woodburn:	Yes
Shane Long:	Absent – No Vote	Scott Sand:	Yes
Ed Hoerner:	Absent – No Vote	Rudy Piskule:	Yes
Verne Taylor:	Absent – No Vote	John Slagel:	Yes
Keith Bahler:	Absent – No Vote		

OTHER BUSINESS:

The assistant zoning administrator provided an update on the upcoming wind energy projects by informing members that hearings could begin on both wind projects slated for the East-Northeast part of the county in the upcoming summer.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Dean Wahls moved, seconded by Michael Haberkorn, that the meeting be adjourned. This motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote of all ayes.

This meeting was then adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse J. King, Assistant Administrator
Livingston County Regional
Planning Commission