



Minutes

City of Tipton

Planning Commission

February 13, 2025

The City of Tipton Plan Commission held its regular meeting on Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., at the Tipton City Hall Council meeting room, 216 South Main Street, Tipton, Indiana.

The meeting was called to order by Michael Bollman at 6:00 p.m. Beginning the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll all

Members present: Rich Vautaw, Mike Benjamin, Jason Henderson (non-voting member), Holly McGuire, Rich Carter, Michael Bollman, Cory Mahan, Jackie Cardin and Michelle Owens.

Members absent: Cammy Burton and 2 vacancies.

Staff present: Evan Piske, Judy Coker, and David Langolf Smith.

Staff absent: None.

Modifications to the Agenda

None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Rich Vautaw and seconded by Holly McGuire, that the minutes from the January 16, 2025, regular meeting be approved as presented. Motion carried 8-0.

Public Hearings

None

Staff Reports

a) City BZA Report

Judy Coker gave a brief report for the City's BZA. The BZA did not meet in February, but there is a petition for March.

b) Standing Committee Report

Michael Bollman gave a report for the City Plan Commission Standing Committee. The standing committee has been working on updating definitions for the Zoning Ordinance and those definitions are being presented at this meeting. Also, that the next item on the agenda for the standing committee is to revise the fee schedule for improvement location permits to harmonize more with the county fee schedule. He also opened up the agenda to the board for anything that someone would like to see added to the worklist for the standing committee.

c) 2024 Annual Report

Judy Coker let the board know that the annual report for the office has been completed and emailed to the commission members. Also, if there are any questions, or if they would like a paper copy, to call the office and we can take care of it.

Old Business

None

New Business

a) Definitions Amendment – Draft

Michael Bollman went over the amendment of the definitions that the standing committee has been working on. That there have been updates to the subdivision control ordinance and the definitions need to reflect the changes. Most of the definitions found in the amendment are either from the County Zoning Ordinance or a previous version of the City’s Ordinance.

Motion by Jackie Cardin and seconded by Rich Vautaw, that there be a public hearing in March about the definitions. Motion carried 8-0.

b) Citizen Board Member Stipend Discussion

Jason Henderson explained how this discussion came about. That there used to be a stipend for members of the County Plan Commission and BZA. That the stipend is for travelling to and from meetings and to and from sites that there are petitions for. Also, that the numbers have been built around only the citizen members being paid for attendance. That there may be a set rate for the elected officials, but that at the County side, the elected officials will be rejecting their per-diem. And that the pay would only apply to meetings that are attended.

Motion by Michelle Owens and seconded by Rich Carter, that the next steps be taken for citizen board member stipends. Motion carried 8-0.

Discussion was had about positions that need to be filled by the Plan Commission.


Motion by Jason Henderson and seconded by Rich Vautaw, that Mike Benjamin be appointed to the Plat and Development Review Committee. As there were no other nominations made, Mike Benjamin was appointed.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no other business, motion made by Michelle Owens and seconded by Mike Benjamin, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.



President

3/13/25

Date



Executive Director

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Date