

MINUTES
WHITLEY COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

May 17, 2023

7:00 p. m.

Whitley County Government Center
Lower Level, Meeting Room A/B

MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	STAFF
Travis Baker	X		Nathan Bilger
Dane Drew	X		Brent Bockelman
Brent Emerick	X		
Jack Green	X		LEGAL COUNSEL
Thor Hodges	X		Elizabeth Deckard
Mark Johnson	X		
Rob Schuman	X		NONVOTING ADVISOR
Kim Kurtz-Seslar	X		John Woodmansee
Joe Wolf	X		

AUDIENCE MEMBERS

The audience list of in-person and electronic guests is attached below.

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Bockelman read the roll call with members present and absent listed above.

CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

The minutes for the April 19, 2023, workshop and regular meeting were presented for consideration. Mr. Johnson called for any comments or a motion. Mr. Green made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Mr. Drew. Motion passed, 9-0 by roll call vote.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH

Ms. Deckard administered the oath to audience members wishing to speak.

Mr. Johnson stated that the agenda would be changed by hearing the petition for 23-W-SUBD-5 under new business first.

23-W-SUBD-5, Trenton Rowland

Trenton Rowland requests preliminary approval of a 1-lot subdivision plat proposed to be known as "Tipple Acres." The property is located on the west side of 950 West, 1,100' north of 1000 South in Section 30 of Cleveland Township.

Mr. Bilger presented the staff report. He provided aerial views and plat overlay for reference. Drainage of the area was discussed. Discussion was made about the conditions and restrictions on the location of the driveway for the property. Review criteria were reviewed.

Trent Rowland, 81addressed the Commission and explained the project and reason to allow for

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Bilger reminded the Commission of the status of 22-W-REZ-6, which requested continuance to at least May, and 22-W-REZ-8, which was tabled for additional information and was expected to be renotified for another hearing at the May meeting.

22-W-REZ-8

Avery Lehman, of Lehman Real Estate Holdings, is requesting an amendment to the Whitley County Zoning Map to reclassify the .93± acre real estate described from RR, Rural Residential District to VC, Village Commercial District. The property is located on the north side of Morsches Road, 225 feet east of State Road 109 in Section 4 of Thorncreek Township.

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23-W-ZOA-3 Proposed amendments of §5.23, Solar Energy Collection Systems

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, Mr. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

GUEST LIST

Avery Lehman	65 E. Morsches Road
Thomas Lehman.....	366 E. 600 North
Chris Crowell.....	3070 S. Raber Road
Dale Bolante.....	3701 S. Washington Road
Meredith Bishop.....	E. Morsches Road
John Meister.....	5995 S. Woodstrail Dr.
Debra Hosler	3700 E. 300 South
Doug Hosler	3700 E. 300 South
Bruce Van De Zande.....	1821 E. Widman Road
Trent Rowland	8160 S 950 West
Joe Hildenberg	365 E. Morsches Road
Mary Ann Anderson	411 E. Morsches Road
Susan Laurence	275 N. 800 East, Avilla

Ginny Rowland	3606 S. Meridian Road
Joan Null	8099 S. 200 East
Larry Long	4835 W. 800 South
Jason Dafforn	3134 E. Mowrey Road
Sonya Emerick	5965 E. State Road 14
Debbie Gay	1980 E. Robbin Hood Road
Sharon Simmons	2065 S. Raber Road
Donna Hearld	1959 E. Robin Hood Road
Diana du Pont.....	1676 S. 700 East
Connie Forrester.....	614 W. Columbia Pkwy
Trudy Lippy	3420 W. Hill Drive

GUEST LIST-ELECTRONIC

1. Robert Kehmeyer.....6411 S. 600 East
2. Kurt Kehmeyer.....8244 S. 600 East
3. Judy Kehmeyer
4. Emily Studebaker.....5147 W. 200 South