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Minutes from the Grant County Planning Commission April 18th, 2023

Planning Commission members present: Nancy Johnson, John Seffrood, Mike Mach, Tom Pillatzki, Richard Hansen, and Jim Berg.

Alternate(s) present: Don Weber, Jeff McCulloch

Planning Commission board members absent: Mark Leddy

Others present: Todd Kays (First District), and Steve Berkner (Grant County Planning Commission officer.)

Meeting Date: Tuesday, April 18th, 2023

Meeting Time: 4 P.M. In-person in the Community Room in the basement of the Courthouse.

- 1. Acting Chairwoman Johnson calls the Planning Commission meeting to order at 4:36.
- 2. Johnson asks if there are any items to be added to the agenda with no one responding.
- 3. Johnson asks if there are any citizens who wish to be heard where no one was present.
- 4. Johnson asks for a motion to accept the agenda as presented with Hansen making that motion and Pillatzki making the second. Motion passes unanimously, 6-0.
- 5. Johnson calls for a motion to accept the Planning Commission minutes from February 13th, 2023 without changes. Motion made by Mach for those changes with a second by Berg. Motion passes unanimously, 6-0.
- 6. With no action items on the agenda Johnson asks Kays to lead a workshop discussion on possible future changes or amendments to the County's Zoning Ordinance.

Kays led off the workshop where he introduced a 16 page handout of possible changes to Articles V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X of the County's Zoning Ordinance that he has discussed with both the County Auditor's office and State's Attorney's Office.

Kays said that some of the changes being recommended were to better define Administrative, Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission roles. Kays added the changes being recommended in the handout if adopted would put the County's Zoning Ordinance better in line with what the State of South Dakota either required, or could be allowed, up to the last State legislative session.

One of the topics Kays spent time on discussing was implementing "Special Permitting Use Permits," which was briefly discussed in the previous Board of Adjustment meeting, where certain variance type requests, and/or permitted uses, could be granted if certain performance conditions set by the zoning ordinance were met by the applicant according to the zoning officer.

7. With no more discussion, the next meeting was set for 4:00, March 13th. Leddy asked for a motion to adjourn with Mach making that motion. Pillatzki made the second. Vote carries 6-0.

Meeting ends at 5:45

Steve Berkner
Planning and Zoning Administrator
Grant County