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## Minutes from the Grant County Planning Commission May 8th, 2023

**Planning Commission members present:** Mark Leddy, Nancy Johnson, John Seffrood, Mike Mach, Tom Pillatzki, and Richard Hansen.

Alternate(s) present: Don Weber, Jeff McCulloch

**Planning Commission board members absent:** James Berg

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

**Meeting Date:** Monday, May 8th, 2023

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

1. Chairman Leddy calls the Planning Commission meeting to order at 4:43 where alternate Weber will sit in for Berg who is absent.
2. Leddy asks if there are any items to be added to the agenda with no one responding.
3. Leddy asks if there are any citizens who wish to be heard where no one responded.
4. Leddy asks for a motion to accept the agenda as presented with Pillatzki making that motion and Hansen making the second. Motion passes unanimously, 7-0.
5. Leddy calls for a motion to accept the Planning Commission minutes from April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Motion made by Mach to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Johnson. Motion passes unanimously, 7-0.
6. With no action items on the agenda Leddy asks Kays to lead a continuing workshop started at last month's April meeting on discussion on possible future changes or amendments to the County's Zoning Ordinance.

Kays led off the discussion workshop where he highlighted the suggested changes to the county's zoning ordinances outlined in the 16-page handout that was made available at last month's meeting.

Kays said that most of the changes being recommended were to better define Administrative, Board of Adjustment and Planning Commission roles and were in response to recently updated SD State Laws and that even though there was a lot to consider they were all under the same general administrative topics and it would be best to handle them at one time to make a smoother transition if they passed.

Kays did spend additional time going over considering allowing "Special Permitting Use Permits," where under certain conditions, set by an amendment to the zoning ordinance, the zoning officer could grant certain variances if the applicant could meet specific conditions.

7. With no more discussion, the next meeting was set for 4:00, June 13<sup>th</sup>. Leddy asked for a motion to adjourn with Weber making that motion. Mach made the second. Vote carries 7-0.

Meeting ends at 4:58

Steve Berkner  
Planning and Zoning Administrator  
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