

MINUTES OF THE KNOX COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

September 13, 2022

Call to order: The September 13, 2022, meeting of the Knox County Planning Commission was called to order by Vice Chairman Rob Ganz at 7:37 p.m. at the Knox County Courthouse Board of Supervisors meeting room.

Announcement of Open Meeting Act: Announcement was made where the Open Meetings Act is posted.

Roll Call: Members present: Robert Larsen, Doug DeShazer, David Arens, Keith Nielsen, and Rob Ganz. Absent: Neil Clausen, Greg Kuhlman, Dean Wilken, and Jim Kotrous. Also present was Zoning Administrator Liz Doerr. Supervisor Jim Sokol, and several members of the public.

Approve Agenda & Public Notice in the Crofton Journal and Creighton News (Knox County News). DeShazer moved, Larsen seconded, to approve the agenda and public notice which was published in the Crofton Journal and Creighton News (Knox County News). Roll call vote showed all present in favor. Absent: Clausen, Kuhlman, Wilken, and Kotrous.

Approve the Minutes from the August 9, 2022, Meeting. Larsen moved, DeShazer seconded, to approve the minutes from August 9, 2022. Roll call vote showed all present in favor. Absent: Clausen, Kuhlman, Wilken, and Kotrous.

Ex Parte Communications: none.

New Business: Public Hearing for John & Susan Troyer's request for a possible cemetery in 12-30-8: Nielsen moved, seconded by DeShazer to open the public hearing at 7:39 p.m. Roll call vote showed all present in favor. Absent: Clausen, Kuhlman, Wilken, and Kotrous. Doerr explained the request. There were no public comments received. Larsen moved, seconded by Nielsen, to close the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Absent: Clausen, Kuhlman, Wilken, and Kotrous. After discussion about how it will be assessed, DeShazer moved, seconded by Larsen, to recommend approval of the request with the following condition: Applicant shall record the cemetery plat in the Register of Deeds Office. Roll call vote showed all present in favor of approving the request. Absent: Clausen, Kuhlman, Wilken, and Kotrous.

Pre-application meeting for Devils Nest Replat of Lots 2655, 2656, and 2657 for Loretta Tompkins: Rod Tompkins & Jill Brodersen explained the plans. They want the changes due to the topography. Lot 2654 did not have access except across Lot 2653. Water and power availability were discussed. Tompkins thought that both lines run along Devils Rim Road so it should be available. Easements will need to be corrected and recorded. The SID and Homeowners Association have both agreed to their plans. The general consensus was to move ahead to the final plat with the plans.

Pre-application meeting for The Oaks at Devils Nest: Tompkins and Brodersen explained their plans to add lots. They do not want these lots to be part of the Devils Nest Subdivision Homeowner's Association nor have it follow their covenants. Doerr asked about the 2.87 acre tract at the south end that will not be part of this. They are not planning to do anything with it at this time. There is water and power along William Clark Road. The consensus was to move to the final plat as long as they can show that they have water and power hookups.

Old Business: none.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: Jill Brodersen told about vacating some of the cul-de-sacs in Devils Nest. They are planning to put several lots together to sell as a package.

Zoning Administrator's Report: The August Permit Report was reviewed. There has been no progress on the Regulations update.

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 11 at 7:30 p.m.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. by Chairman Wilken.

Liz Doerr, Zoning Administrator

Approved by Planning Commission: 11-15-22

Placed on File with Board of Supervisors: 11-23-22