MEETING MINUTES
POPE COUNTY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION
Thursday April 22, 2021

The Planning Advisory Commission convened in regular session on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at the Pope County Courthouse, Community Meeting Room.

Members Present: Roger Isdahl, Ronald Feigum, John Messenger, Brian Jergenson, Mark Halls, Larry Lindor (County Commissioner) and Cody Rogahn (C.C. alt)

Other Officials Present: David Green (Land & Resource Management Director) and Shelley Cameron (Sr. Administrative Associate)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Messenger at 6:21 p.m.

The following items were addressed by the chair:

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Review Minutes of March 25, 2021
The minutes of the Planning Advisory Commission meeting held on Thursday; March 25, 2021 were submitted for approval. Motion by Commissioner Lindor to accept the minutes as written. Jergenson seconded. Motion carried with no dissenting votes noted.

CUP Delton & Ruth Grussing

Chairman Messenger introduces the item. Applicants Delton & Ruth Grussing are present. Director Green presents staff report. In regard to public comments, Green states that "we've received several phone calls which were based on the rendering given with concerns of the size being significantly larger and not similar to the characteristics of the neighborhood. Staff doesn't object to the issuance of a conditional use permit for an accessory but we do think the conditions pointed out need consideration. Feigum asks "what size is the pitch?" Applicant Delton Grussing states "10 foot." Applicant Ruth Grussing states "it will be a metal frame and roof. The color will be light gray and the body a darker gray. We do have windows and there will be trim around the windows and doors. We are also using a residential garage door and it will be attractive." Commissioner Lindor asks "what about the size concern from the public comments. Is there any possibility of changing the size?" Applicant Delton Grussing states "this is the size we kind of need. We have a boat, pontoon, side by side, jet ski, and a fish house and instead of having them outside they will be put away and out of sight to make it look nice."

Chairman Messenger opens the public meeting and asks "is there anyone speaking in favor of this?" Jerry Kerkvliet states "the previous owner had a lot of junk back there and it was like a dump site. This will look a lot nicer with a very nice, clean looking building. I think it will look nice and attractive in the neighborhood." Chairman Messenger asks "is there anyone speaking against this?" None noted. Chairman Messenger closes the public hearing. Chairman Messenger asks for comments from the site team and references the comments provided by Cooley that could not be present. Feigum (site team) states "it will be some distance from the road and if they put a front on it so that it doesn't look like a pole building, I think it would look alright." Chairman Messenger (site team) states "I conquer. It (proposed structure) was really jarring from the others (as compared too) but now with the corner trim around the windows and doors, the eves, and the residential access door I think it will look quite nice." Director Green asks the applicant "can you elaborate on the size of the eves? Jerry Kerkvliet (contractor) states "they will be four-inch eves." There is discussion on proposed condition #1 in reference to the size of the structure (limiting it to 1500 sq. ft.). Feigum states "this lot backs up to the docks that are stored on that lot and there are trees so you won't see it from the road very much." Chairman Messenger seeks a motion. Feigum states "I move to offer a recommendation of approval with conditions as identified in the staff report and as amended to allow the building to be 2100 sq feet." Commissioner Lindor seconded. Isdahl, Feigum, Messenger, Jergenson, and Commissioner Lindor in favor. Halls opposed. Motion carried.

CUP-David & Theresa Weller Trust and Matthew & MacKenzie Weller

Chairman Messenger introduces the item. Applicant David Weller is present. Director Green presents staff report. Green states that staff recommends approval with conditions as stated in the staff report. Chairman Messenger asks for any additional comments from the applicant. Applicant David Weller states "my son and I bought this property because my son was going to build here but his plans changed and he is now located in the Marshall area. We plan to sell it and we want to make it a clean sale to allow this to be a buildable site going forward." Chairman Messenger opens the public meeting and asks "is there anyone speaking in favor of this?" None noted. Chairman Messenger asks "is there anyone speaking against this?" None noted. Chairman Messenger closes the public hearing. Comments from the site team indicate that they have no objections or concerns. Chairman Messenger seeks a motion. Feigum states "based upon the information as presented in the staff report, I move to offer a recommendation of approval of the Conditional Use Permit provided that the conditions as identified in the staff report are complied with." Isdahl seconded. Motion carried with no dissenting votes noted.

Tabled/Old Business

There was no tabled or old business.

Adjournment 7:00 p.m. Motion by Jergenson to adjourn the Planning Advisory Commission meeting. Motion seconded by Halls. Motion carried with no dissenting votes noted.

Respectfully submitted,

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