MEETING MINUTES
POPE COUNTY PLANNING ADVISORY COMMISSION
Thursday September 26, 2019

The Planning Advisory Commission convened in regular session on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at the Pope County Courthouse Community Room.

Members Present: Ronald Feigum, Ivie Cooley, Mark Halls, John Messenger, Brian Jergenson, 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 Chairwoman Cooley at 6:38 p.m.

The following items were addressed by the chair:

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda
There was no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Review Minutes of August 22, 2019
The minutes of the Planning Advisory Commission meeting held on Thursday August 22, 2019 were submitted for approval. Motion by Messenger to accept the minutes as written. Feigum seconded. Motion carried.

CUP-Allen Dyrdahl

Chairwoman Cooley introduces the item. Applicant Allen Dyrdahl is present. Director Green presents staff report with a recommendation to approve the application with conditions. Chairwoman Cooley asks "does the applicant have any additional comments?" Applicant has no additional comments. There is discussion on where the ravine is located and the topography of the land. Chairwoman Cooley opens to the public asking "is there anyone here tonight speaking for this?" None noted. Chairwoman Cooley asks "is there anyone speaking against this?" None noted. Chairwoman Cooley closes the public hearing. Chairwoman Cooley asks for comments from the site team. Messenger states "the proposed structure is located up maybe 15 feet higher than the road or at least 10 feet and the topography does promote run off toward the ravine. Chairwoman Cooley states "the whole area is getting cleaned up there." Chairwoman Cooley seeks a motion. Jergenson states "based upon the Findings of Fact as presented in the staff report and as gathered this evening, 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." Feigum seconded. Feigum, Cooley, Messenger, and Jergenson in favor. Halls opposed. Motion carried.

Final Plat Review-Rod Eldevik on behalf of Allen Dyrdahl

Chairwoman Cooley introduces the item. Applicant Rod Eldevik is present. Director Green presents staff report with a recommendation to approve the Final Plat with conditions. Director Green states "one of the conditions is that, prior to submittal to the Board, that there be a formal acknowledgment from the township that they have accepted responsibility for this project. It appears the township took action in regards to receiving a bid to do improvements." Commissioner Lindor asks "so by taking the bids that means they accepted it?' Applicant Rod Eldevik states "they (township) accepted the bid from Riley Brothers Paving and the trees are already gone out of the turnaround area and they plan to build the turnaround the second week of October." Commissioner Lindor asks "so does that mean the township has accepted the road as their responsibility?" Applicant Rod Eldevik states "yes". Director Green states "I think you will still have the discussion as to the title and I anticipate this will come up at the Board meeting. When we discussed this last time it was suggested that the township files a quiet title action for that area." There is discussion as to where the wetland area has been identified and the drain tile from the adjacent farm field. Rod Eldevik states "there is a lot of water that comes in from that field and this was done long before Al (Dyrdahl) took ownership. We can't ask the previous owner because he has passed." Halls asks "has there been any kind of a water study done? The issue I have is what happens to the water? We already have an issue with the water in this area." Chairwoman Cooley asks "does the applicant have any additional comments?" Applicant has no additional comments. There is further discussion on management of the water and Halls states "I think we are making matters worse here by not addressing the water management now." Director Green confirms that at the time any structure is permitted on the individual lots, they will need to submit a water management plan at that time. Chairwoman Cooley opens to the public asking "is there anyone here tonight speaking in favor?" None noted. Chairwoman Cooley asks "is there anyone speaking against?" None noted. Chairwoman Cooley closes the public hearing. Chairwoman Cooley seeks a motion. Messenger states "based upon the Findings of Fact as presented in the staff report and as gathered this evening, I move to offer a recommendation of approval of the Final Plat of Al's Cove. Feigum seconded. Motion carried with no dissenting votes noted.

Ordinance Amendment Discussion

Ben Oleson presents a review and update as to the status of the Ordinance Amendments and passes out information for the Board to review. Ben states "the new text is in yellow that we are proposing." It is discussed that the Board will continue to review the proposals and bring back any comments to consider.

Tabled/Old Business

There was no old or tabled business.

Adjournment 8:05 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Lindor to adjourn the Planning Advisory Commission meeting. Motion seconded by Halls. Motion carried with no dissenting votes noted.

Respectfully submitted,

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