

Town Of Newton
Plan Commission

January 8,2024

D.Thomas
M.Slattery

L.Glaeser
C.Bauer

R.Sieben
E.Downing

J.Ney
K.Behnke

The meeting was called to order by Chairman D.Thomas at 6:00 PM. She stated that N. Hertzfeldt was absent.

Verification of public notice posted as required.

A motion by E.Downing and a second by C.Bauer to approve the agenda was made. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion by D.Thomas and a second by J.Ney to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Public input; Gary Truettner stated he has a concern of not having the Plan Commission minutes posted more quickly. Mark Dempsey also asked why it takes a month. L.Glaeser stated that the minutes can not be posted on line till the following month as they need to be approved by this commission first due in the case there were any additions or corrections.

M.Slattery made comments about a piece of property on Fricke Drive that was not able to get on the agenda but will be for the February meeting.

Item # 6 D.Thomas made comment as to the towns comprehensive plan and talked about the issues and concerns that the commission was running in to. She asked each member to give their input as to what was occurring throughout the town. The meeting was then turned over to the town planner K.Jaworski who gave his input on what planning is and how we got to the situation we are at.

Public comments, Larry Stock asked what was changing.

Gary Truettner stated that he didn't like the R-2 that he was in

Mark Dempsey commented again as to the minutes being published

Tim Fettig wondered if there was a difference in splitting lots as well as other zoning concerns

Laurel Schleis asked for an example of what might happen in certain zoning areas.

Bob Marheine commented that we stay on topic and thought we were on the right direction and was in favor of the changing of the maximum lot size.

Chuck Windus asked about a CMS and what needed to be surveyed .

Comments were made in the area of Siver Creek Rd. and the contamination of wells in the area.

Comments were made in regards to solar power and if this was a possibility. It was stated probably not at this time due to the access to transmission lines are not available to carry it in this area.

Terry Wagner asked if a property was sold next to the city if it was automatically annexed. It was stated the ways that would happen.

K.Behnke commented on personal property rights but still retaining R-2 zoning and that zoning has its place and to be careful things don't get out of control.

M.Slattery stated that the Town Of Newton has the most stringent of zoning laws and made comments about county zoning and also A-3.

A motion was made by E.Downing and a second by J.Ney to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted ;
L.Glaeser Plan Comm. Sec.