CHERRY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

Cherry County Planning and Zoning Minutes

April 8, 2024

CHERRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE MEETING ROOM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM CT by Chairman Wade Andrews in the advertised location of the Cherry County Courthouse Meeting Room.

Roll call was taken. The following members were present: Marla Shelbourn, Wade Andrews, Duane Kime, Sherri Bacon, Gary Swanson, and Albert Ericksen. Absent was Dave Rogers, Michael McLeod, and John Lee. Also present were Jessica Coyle, Zoning Administrator, and various members of the public.

The Open Meetings Act was noted as was the public notice in the Valentine Midland News pertaining to this meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Marla S. made a motion to amend the meeting minutes from March 4, 2024 as written in her email to Zoning Administrator Coyle dated April 5, 2024. There was discussion amongst the board about her proposed change. The motion died for lack of a second. Marla S. submitted 7 pages to attach to the minutes for public record.

Sherri B. made a motion to approve March 4, 2024 minutes. Albert E. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Marla S.-No, Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Absent, Duane K.-Abstain, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, Albert E.-Yes, and Dave R.-Absent. Motion carried 4-2.

New Business:

ZOOM with Keith Marvin

Keith Marvin from Marvin Planning Associates joined the meeting via ZOOM to review the Subcommittee and Marla's suggested changes to the proposed Comprehensive Plan. The board went through multiple pages that were discussed with Keith and as a board. The ZOOM lasted almost an hour and Keith is going to get these changes made then provide the board with another copy of the proposed Comprehensive Plan prior to the next meeting.

Discuss/Act Subcommittee Review of the Comprehensive Plan and any changes/additions/corrections

Marla made a motion to table Subcommittee Review of the Comprehensive Plan until they receive Keith's updated draft. Duane seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Wade A.-Yes, Michael M.-Absent, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B.-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, Albert E.-Yes, Dave R.-Absent, and Marla S.-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Set Date and Time

The board set May 6, 2024 at 4:30 PM CT in the Meeting Room.

Old Business:

Discuss Cherry County Comprehensive Plan



There was a large discussion amongst the board regarding the Conservation Easement section of the proposed Comprehensive Plan. The board discussed different kinds of easements, whether they are allowable or not allowable by the current drafted plan, and possibly asking Commissioners their thoughts. Chairman Andrews directed the board to research other counties and bring something back to the next meeting on findings to compare.

Sherri B. brought up some questions on Residential Land Use Policies in the Land Use chapter under Growth and Development. The board went through this section and directed the Zoning Administrator to send Keith Marvin the changes they want in this section via email.

During public comment members of the public spoke. Francis Heath and Carolyn Semin read and provided a written document to attach to the minutes. Anne Warren provided a map to attach to the minutes.

Communications:

Marla S. reported on the NPZA Conference and provided her notes to the board.

Reports and Recommendations:

None

Excused Absence:

Duane K. made a motion to excuse Dave R., Michael M. and John L. from the meeting. Gary S. seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Michael M.-Absent, Duane K.-Yes, Sherri B-Yes, Gary S.-Yes, John L.-Absent, Albert E.-Yes, Dave R.-Absent, Marla S.-Yes, and Wade A.-Yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Chairman Andrews adjourned the meeting at 6:47 PM CT.

Jessica Coyle

Zoning Administrator