Decatur County Area Plan Commission April Minutes 2024

The regular scheduled meeting for the Decatur County Area Plan Commission was called to order by Todd Mauer at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 and read the following: *to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Decatur County requests that participants in this meeting complete a voluntary, anonymous survey that is available on the table in the back of the room.* There were 8 board members present. Jay Schoettmer was absent. Also attending the meeting was Melissa Scholl – APC Attorney, Krista Duvall – Area Plan Director, Debbie Martin – Administrative Assistant and Sabrina Allen – Purdue Extension.

* **Approval of March 6, 2024 Minutes:** Brad Schutte made a motion to approve minutes as mailed; Paul Stone seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

* APC Petition 2024-6 – Don Volk is requesting to subdivide approx. 7.00 acres out of 89.83 acres and rezone approx. 2.99 acres from an A-1 zoning classification to an A-2 zoning classification for construction of a single family detached dwelling. This request falls under Decatur County Ordinance Section Number 915 & 920(7). The property is owned by the petitioner and is located at 9905 E CR 150 S, Batesville in Salt Creek Township.

Don Volk: I am wanting to build a home. **Sheila;** will this be for you? **Don;** yes. **Sheila;** will this be a brick home? **Don;** yes. **Krista;** I did have 2 neighbors call and thought that this was a great place to build a home. Read a letter from Matthew Raver: I am writing to you about APC Petition 2024-6 Don Volk. I am a neighbor of Mr. Volk and the owner of New Point Berry Farm on the road that Mr. Volk wants to build his new home. Mr. Volk did not ask me to do this. As a neighbor and as a farmer I wanted to strongly support Mr. Volk's petition to be able to construct a new home for himself. I am familiar with Don's existing residence and believe that our community can only benefit from his being able to construct a home that will allow him to stay on his farm and remain our neighbor into old age. I personally see no good reason for the APC not to approve his petition based on where the home is going to be located on marginal land at best and I want him to be able to live at home for as long as his continued good health will allow and I personally believe that this new residence will only support that. As a member of our community and neighbor I ask that you support this petition for the good of our community. Thank you, Matthew Raver.

Sheila Kirchhoff made a motion to vote on APC 2024-6; Tom Cherry seconded the motion with all members present voting yes. **Todd;** congratulations, your petition carries, stay in touch with the office throughout your project.

* APC Petition 2024-7 – Corey Weber is requesting to subdivide approx. 3.00 acres out of 4.59 acres and rezone approx. 2.99 acres from an A-1 zoning classification to an A-2 zoning classification for construction of a single family detached dwelling. This request falls under Decatur County Ordinance Section Number 915 & 920(7). The property is owned by Larry & Rose weber and is located at 4191 S CR 300 E, Greensburg in Marion Township.

Corey; I want to build a home and keep the grand kids close to family. **Brad**; you have an easement? **Corey**; yes. **Sheila**; is the drive set-back ok? **Krista**; yes, does not have a setback for the driveway. **Scott**; sounds like there is no problems with the neighbors. **Krista**; we sent letters to all adjoining neighbors and received no responses.

Tom Cherry made a motion to vote on APC Petition 2024-7; Sheila Kirchhoff seconded the motion with all members present voting yes. **Todd**; your petition carries, stay in touch with the office as you go.

Scott Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m.; Ryan Kennelly seconded the motion with all members present signifying by saying aye.

ATTEST

Secretary, Sheila Kirchhoff Decatur County Area Plan Commission

President, Todd Mauer Decatur County Area Plan Commission