

Decatur County Area Plan Commission
July Minutes 2018
1st Floor Meeting Room of Decatur County Courthouse

The regular scheduled meeting for the Decatur County Area Plan Commission was called to order by Jay Hatton at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 5, 2018. There were 7 board members present with Bill Dieckman, Tom Hunter and Kevin Fleetwood absent. Also attending was Melissa Scholl – APC Attorney, Krista Duvall – Decatur County Area Plan Director and Debbie Martin – Administrative Assistant.

Jay Hatton 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.*

A copy of the meeting agenda and the attendance registrar is attached to these minutes and incorporated by reference. By consensus, the APC Board approved the minutes for the meeting on June 6, 2018 as written and mailed.

* **APC Petition 2018-10 – Jordan Hitchell** is petitioning to “**Subdivide’ & “Rezone”** 2.99 acres out of 115.39 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 the Decatur County Ordinance **Section 920(7)**. The property is owned by Gary & Joy Jackson and is located approx. ½ mile west of 35 N CR 850 W, Greensburg in **Clay Township**.

Jordan stated that he wants to build a home for his family on approx. 2.99 acres. **Jay**; how many square feet? **Jordan**; 2500. **Jay**; is there water available there? **Jordan**; no, we are looking at possibly running rural water there or we will drill a well. Rural water is at CR 850. **Jay**; what made you choose this corner of the field vs. up by the other house? **Jordan**; we want the seclusion and not be close to the busy road. **Jay**; is there electric back there? **Jordan**; I have a quote from Duke to run electric from CR 850, there is Shelby REMC that comes across but that land will be in the Duke area of service. **Jay**; is the septic a Presby system? **Jordan**; yes. **Jay**; what type of crop ground is that Gary (Jackson)? **Gary**; not bad, typical. **Jay**; do you foresee dividing off more of this ground? **Gary**; not as of now, it squares up the field nicely. **Paul**; Decatur County is very ag minded community and as Jay eluded to often times giving up ground is tough. I think that the feeling that some of the ag producers have is that as the rural areas continue to become developed that often times things like ag traffic meeting residential traffic, spray getting into yards and trees become sometimes unpleasant situations as they occur. My disclaimer is to remember that you are moving into an ag area, they were there first is one way to put it so please be mindful of ag operations. As long as there is respect there, it will be fine. **Jay**; does that water run across the road right there (referencing the overhead map)? **Gary**; no, there is no culvert. **Jay**; I can see where it will square it up there on the back end of the property, I just don’t want this to continue on down this road and we start piecing this together out there.

With no other questions from the board or audience Paul Stone made a motion to vote on APC 2018-10; Ryan Kennelly seconded the motion with all members present voting yes. **Jay**; your

petition passed, stay in contact with the office and Krista will lead you through the rest of the steps.

With no other business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

ATTEST

Secretary, Andy Scholle
Decatur County Area Plan Commission

President, Jay Hatton
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