Town of Porter Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting Minutes February 20, 2002

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Mr. Chemma, Mr. Beckman, Mr. Niepokoj, and Mr. Childress. Absent; Mr. Bell. Quorum was established. Also present were Mr. Mandon and Mr. Zaremba.

C. Consideration of minutes from previous meeting.

Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting as written was made by Mr. Childress. Second by Mr. Niepokoj. Motion carried 4-0.

D. Audience Participation

There was no audience participation.

E. New Business

<u>Chip Mang, Deer Creek Subdivision</u>: Mr. Mang requested a discussion of a possible use variance request for a structure to be built on his property. Mr. Mang indicated he was interested in constructing a storage facility for his excavating equipment, and could possibly build a residence above the storage facility. Mr. Mandon indicated that the residence would become a violation of R-1 zoning if a home was later constructed on the site. There was also mention of the limitation to having an accessory structure built prior to the primary structure.

F. Old Business

Draft Zoning Ordinance: The members of the BZA have been given the opportunity to contribute to the narrative of the document. Mr. Childress suggested the board be prepared for upcoming non-conforming use issues to arise with the zoning map changes. Mr. Beckman questioned if adjustments can be made in the zoning law regarding the height of accessory structures. Mr. Mandon indicated he would review the issue.

G. Other Business

None

H. Adjourn

Motion by Mr. Chemma to adjourn; second by Mr. Childress. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

John Beckman Chairman Lisa Liebert Secretary