

**Town of Porter
Plan Commission
Meeting Minutes
*January 17, 2007***

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:29 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

Present: Mr. Childress, Ms. Brueckheimer, Mrs. Snyder, Mr. Eriksson, Mr. Timm, and Mr. Bell

Absent: Mr. Stinson (due to illness)

Also present were Mr. Lyp, Mr. Mandon, and Mrs. Mitchell

D. Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2006 regular meeting was made by Mr. Eriksson; second by Mr. Timm Motion was passed 4 – 0. Mr. Childress and Mrs. Snyder abstained from voting because they were not present at the December meeting.

E. Audience Participation

None

F. Old Business and Matters Tabled

None

G. New Business

Election of Officers

Motion to nominate Mr. Lorain Bell as President of the Plan Commission was made by Mrs. Snyder; second made by Mr. Timm. Motion passed 5 – 0. Mr. Bell abstained from voting.

Motion to nominate Mr. Jim Eriksson as Vice-President of the Plan Commission was made by Mrs. Snyder; second by Ms. Brueckheimer. Motion passed 5 – 0. Mr. Eriksson abstained from voting.

Motion to nominate Kara Mitchell as Secretary for the Plan Commission was made by Mr. Eriksson; second by Mr. Childress. Motion passed via voice approval.

H. Preliminary Hearing

None

I. Public Hearing

Application for subdivision approval made by Michael O'Connor for the property located at 3014 Dearborn Street in Porter.

Michael O'Connor gave a brief presentation to the Plan Commission. He stated that he would like to combine five lots into one, so he could turn the existing 1,100 sq. ft. cottage into a house. He needs the five lots to build the addition. He will not need set back variances, etc.

Mr. Timm questioned why there were seven lots on the plat.

Mr. Eriksson mentioned that he thought that one needed eight lots to build. Mr. Mandon said that only five lots were needed.

Mr. Bell wanted reassurance from Mr. O'Connor that he would not need variances, etc. in the future. Mr. O'Connor agreed that he would not.

Motion to approve the petition as requested was made by Mr. Eriksson; second was made by Mr. Timm. Motion passed 6 – 0.

J. Finding of Fact

None

K. Comments from Plan Commission Attorney

Mr. Lyp informed the Plan Commission that the court ruled against the Town of Porter in the Barbarossa case. He stated that there was not wrongdoing, just that he had requested that the Court dismiss the case, but the judge said no. Things will now proceed as normal.

Sandi Snyder asked about the Mineral Springs development. Mr. Mandon said that they had reached an agreement, but not the original \$104,000. Mr. Kahlil will write a letter and present it to the Town. The mylars will not be signed until the letter is approved.

L. Comments from Plan Commission Secretary

None

M. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Brueckheimer; second by Mr. Timm. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

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Lorain Bell
Chairman

Kara Mitchell
Secretary