

**Town of Porter
Plan Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 16, 2006**

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:55 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

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

Absent: None

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

D. Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

A correction to the July meeting minutes needed to be made. The meeting was called to order at 7:30, not 8:30. The correction was made.

Motion to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2006 regular meeting was made by Mr. Eriksson; second by Mr. Tim. Motion carried via voice approval 7 – 0.

E. Audience Participation

None

F. Old Business and Matters Tabled

Application for subdivision approval made by Dane Jackson for the property located east of Waverly Road and north of Marquardt Road in Porter.

Mr. Lyp informed the Plan Commission that Mr. Jackson had sent him a letter asking him to continue his application until the sewer issue had been settled.

Mr. Eriksson expressed concerns that a time limit should be put on the continuance.

Motion to table the application until the December meeting, unless the petitioner requests in writing to come before the commission before December was made by Mr. Timm; second by Ms. Brueckheimer. Motion carried by voice approval 7 – 0.

G. New Business

None

H. Preliminary Hearing

Application for vacation of alley made by Susan Brandstetter, Russell Brandstetter, and Hugo Brandstetter, for the property located at Lake Wood Trail in Porter.

Mr. Gordon Etzler addressed the Plan Commission. His client is interested in vacating the alley for improvements and construction.

Motion to set to Public Hearing for the September meeting was made by Mr. Eriksson; second by Mr. Stinson. Motion carried by voice approval 7 – 0.

I. Public Hearing

Application for subdivision approval made by David Tiemens for the property located at the southeast corner of Carlson Corners and Pearson Road in Porter.

Robert and Kathy Ton want to sell 1.21 acres of their 10-acre parcel on the south side of Carlson Road to their son for construction of a single-family residence with frontage on Carlson Road. The couple was represented by Mr. David Tiemens at the meeting.

Mr. Mandon stated that TAC had met on the issue in July. He does not think the sewer should be extended.

Mr. Bell read a registered letter to the Plan Commission from the Town of Chesterton's Stormwater Utility Superintendent Steve Yagelski. The letter is on file at the Town Hall. Mr. Bell also stated his concerns about the application.

The Public Hearing was opened at 8:21.

No one spoke in favor or against the application.

The Public Hearing was closed at 8:22.

Mr. Tiemen rebutted the letter that Mr. Bell read. Mr. Mandon does not think there is a problem with the application.

Motion to favorably approve the primary plat was made by Mr. Eriksson; second by Mr. Stinson. Motion carried 5 – 2.

Motion to favorably approve the secondary plat with the clarification that the discharge wouldn't be on the Town of Chesterton's property, but on the Ton's

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property was made by Mr. Eriksson; second Ms. Brueckheimer. Motion carried
6 – 1.

K. Finding of Fact

None

L. Comments from Plan Commission Attorney

None

M. Comments from Plan Commission Secretary

None

N. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Childress; second by Mr. Stinson. Meeting was
adjourned at 8:35.

Lorain Bell
Chairman

Kara Mitchell
Secretary