

Minutes of the Porter Plan Commission

April 24, 2002

Special Meeting Re: Draft Zoning Ordinance Maps

A. The meeting was called to order at 7:50 p.m.

B. Pledge of allegiance

Present: Mr. Chemma, Mr. Whisler, Mr. Eriksson, and Mr. Bell. Absent: Mr. Liebert and Mr. Grasher. Quorum was established. Also present were Mr. Mandon and Ms. Hughs.

C. Public Hearing

The meeting was opened with introductory statements by Mr. Mandon, explaining the purpose for the proposed changes.

After quorum was established and review of proper notice, the Public Hearing opened at 7:31 p.m. Mr. Chemma notified those present that they were free to ask questions and make comments concerning the proposed changes. Comments in summary are as follows:

1. Dean and Maggie Hultman, 808 Waverly Road: queried the procedure for discussion of proposed changes and what follows after the public hearing as well as the proposed changes at their property.
2. Richard Hoyle, 555 N. Wagner Road: property currently zoned R-4, is proposed R-1, and questioned why? Questioned also if the property behind is still zoned R-3.
3. Bonnie Doherty, 550 N. Wagner: questioned proposed B-2 changes on Rt. 20 and Wagner Road. Properties currently house single-family residences.
4. Paul Childress, 1175 Dune Meadows Drive: questioned the zoning changes for Splash Down Dunes parking lot and facility. Also questioned how a P.U.D. is passed.
5. Bob Poparad, Owner Pinkerton Oil, U.S. Rt. 20: disagrees with proposed P.U.D. classification on his property.
6. Nancy Hokanson, 412 Michigan: questioned if changes in zoning impact taxes and if properties can be split-zoned.
7. Paulene Poparad, 1136 N. S.R. 149, Burns Harbor: questioned the notification procedures for changes that include site plans and the need for additional notification.
8. Steve Fernandez, 309 S.R. #2 Hebron: currently in negotiations to purchase the property known as the 'iron triangle' and stated he wishes the current zoning of R-3 remain instead of it's proposed change to R-1. Also questioned when the Town Council would vote on the proposed changes.

Motion to continue the Public Hearing to May 8, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Bell; second by Mr. Whisler. Motion carried 4-0.

E. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Whisler, second by Mr. Eriksson. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Eugene Chemma
President

Lisa M. Liebert
Secretary