

Planning & Zoning Meeting
Logan County Safety Complex
March 6, 2013

Present: David Hepler; Pat O'Neill; Kevin Bateman; Bob Farmer; Bill Martin; Jan Schumacher

Absent:

Guests: Will D'Andrea; Gene Rohlf; Juanita O'Neill

Mr. Hepler called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Martin, to approve the minutes from the February 6, 2013 meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1) Conditional use zoning: This is being left on the agenda until the end of the appeal timeframe has passed for the Muck re-zone.
- 2) Wind farm(s) status: Mr. D'Andrea reported there is nothing new on the Sugar Creek wind farm. The tax extension requires construction to begin in 2013 to qualify for the credit. The Mt. Pulaski project is hoping to get approvals for June or July.
- 3) Orvil township building: Mr. D'Andrea has not received any further information on the request that was previously declined by the Board.

New Business:

- 1) None

Zoning Officer's Report: Mr. D'Andrea reported he recently made a presentation to the Economic Development Partnership board regarding the timeline changes to the enterprise zone application process. He shared the new process with the committee. There is a point system established in order to rank for enterprise zone funding application. Mr. D'Andrea recommended applying in 2014 since our current zone expires in 2017. That would give Logan County two opportunities to have a high enough score to qualify for approval. He and Mr. Ruben also attended a recent seminar regarding hydraulic fracking. It does not appear Logan County will need to take any action, as this is on the very northern border of any reserves that may be present. He shared information he learned about how large the oil reserves are expected to be. Environmentalists are concerned about the potential impact to wells and water supplies, as well as contamination concerns. Nothing further to report.

Public comments: None

Communications: None

A motion was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. O'Neill, to approve the bills. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Bateman, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 7:03 pm.