

Planning & Zoning Meeting
Logan County Safety Complex
September 4, 2013

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

Absent:

Guests: Will D'Andrea

Mr. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve the minutes from the August 7, 2013 meeting as printed. Motion passed.

Old Business:

- 1) Building codes: Mr. D'Andrea provided information to the committee for review. He asked the committee to review the information to determine how they might wish to move forward.
- 2) Rural residential including subdivision, fencing: Additional information was provided to the committee regarding how these issues are approached in other counties. This can be considered when evaluating future recommendations. Mr. Bateman wanted to clarify that he agrees Logan County is not growing, but he doesn't believe it is because of zoning codes. He doesn't want to get as strict with zoning codes as other communities that are growing. He wants to focus on the quality of life in a family setting and not have such relaxed (or non-existent) codes. Having a community where families like to live will allow businesses to grow as well. The committee held extensive discussion on possible zoning changes. Mr. D'Andrea was asked to prepare and present a comprehensive recommendation of enforceable zoning ordinance changes encompassing many areas for the committee's consideration.
- 3) Wind farm status: Sugar Creek One has an agreement in place with Ameren for the substation. It appears they still intend to move forward with this project.

New Business:

- 1) None

Zoning Officer's Report: Mr. D'Andrea reported he has been busy with mining, subdivision and fencing regulation questions. There has not been much activity on the permit side. However, there have been questions regarding floodplains. A couple more layers are now available on the GIS website. Nothing further to report.

Public comments: None

Communications: None

A motion was made by Mr. Bateman, seconded by Mr. Farmer, to approve the bills. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. O'Neill, seconded by Mr. Martin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting ended at 7:22 pm.