

Zoning Ordinance Review Committee

March 7, 2016

Minutes

The Zoning Ordinance Review Committee met Monday March 7, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Training room at the Public Safety Building. Randy Keith called the meeting to order. Attending were committee members: Randy Keith, Jim Reed, Jerry Edwards, Elsie Robinson, Jon White, Michael Nolan, Ray Spencer, and Keri Nusbaum.

MOTION

Motion was made by Robinson, seconded by Edwards to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2016 meeting as written. All in favor, motion carried.

Keri reviewed the items she had been assigned to research at the last meeting regarding further definitions of signs and lighting.

The committee will recommend that the definition of roof sign (to be listed as Sign, roof) now on page 10 of the ordinance should be clarified. The recommended definition will be – A sign erected upon or above a roof or parapet wall of a building and which is wholly or partially supported by said building.

Keri shared the lighting definitions and restrictions from surrounding counties. The committee agreed that Piatt county needs to have something added to the ordinance, but wanted more information. It is agreed that sign lighting and security lighting should be addressed. Keri will look for information on dark sky restrictions and the committee will review that information before making any decisions on adding an ordinance for lighting.

The committee talked about is there a way to regulate signs painted directly on houses. They agreed it was a slippery slope, and would be difficult to define.

The review of the ordinance continued, beginning at page 45.

The committee will recommend the following changes to the ordinance.

The section that is now labeled F., should be corrected to read E. to reflect the other corrections made in this Section. On page 46, Section 4. also needs to be corrected as it refers to Article X.C, which should be Article X. B. (Article X. C does not exist in the current ordinance). Also on Section 4, the committee will recommend to add – “Or within 6 months of notification”.

Section G. REGULATIONS REGARDING TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION SITES. (Needs to be re-labeled F.)

On page 47, Number 2. Committee suggests to correct “reasonable” to “reasonably”.

On page 47, Number 4. Add “, and”. (...shall be complied with, and the Board shall follow the provisions.....) ALSO, the reference to Paragraph A (4), should be changed to A.2.d.

Section H. needs to be re-labeled as Section G. in keeping with the other corrections made.

MOTION

Motion was made by Reed; seconded by Robinson to adjourn. All in favor; motion passed.

COMMENTS

The next meeting will be Monday, March 28, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Safety Building. The committee will resume its review on page 47.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Keri Nusbaum

Piatt County Zoning Officer