## Huntingburg Advisory Plan Commission Minutes of the Regular Meeting Monday, June 23, 2025, at 5:30 P.M. Local Time

The Huntingburg Plan Commission met in regular session on Monday, June 23, 2025, and was opened at 5:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance in the Council Chambers at the Huntingburg City Hall. Plan Commission Members present included: Rachel Steckler, Tyson Bredemeier, Sandra Kays, Todd Humbert, and Primo Nino. Other(s) present included: Planning Director Paul Lake, Jesse & Pam Bolte, Ruger Kerstiens, Scott Steinkamp, Brad Eckerle, David Uebelhor and Tim Wehr.

The minutes of the April 28, 2025, meeting were reviewed and a motion to approve them was made by Sandra Kays. Second by Primo Nino. The Minutes of the April 28, 2025, Plan Commission Meeting were approved.

The first item on the agenda was a discussion of the drainage study for the Poplar Ridge QOZB, LLC project and comments of the reviewer (Clint Roos, Midwestern Engineering). Sandra Kays spoke about the pipe discharging on the east side of the property. Following a rain a couple of weeks ago she saw water pouring out of it into the ditch along US 231. How will the drainage basins for the project function? Brad Eckerle explained how The First Basin on Parcel/Tract 1 on the north would collect water and once capacity had been reached it would flow to the existing basin already on the site and as capacity was exceeded that would flow to the 3rd Basin located on Tract 2 on the south. Discharge from the site will be directed to ditches along US 231 and ultimately culverts which will flow under the highway to the east. Questions concerning the impact to ditches in the area, water across 19th Street and Van Buren Street were raised by both Jesse & Pam Bolte since their home is on Van Buren Street. They spoke about the high rain events which have resulted in water covering both Van Buren and 19th Street in the area. Brad Eckerle explained that the proposed development is designed to allow keep water flowing off the property at the same limits/rates as prior to development as required by the City of Huntingburg's drainage requirements. Pam Bolte indicated she is in support of the project and feels better about it, but just wants to make sure things do not get worse when it comes to drainage in the area.

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Scott Steinkamp asked Jesse & Pam Bolte if they had flooded in 2017. They stated that they did flood then. Glen Kissling (via Phone) stated that it appeared the Poplar Ridge project was doing everything it can be required to control drainage, but that Van Buren Street and its ditches/culverts were a separate city project to address. Following a short discussion, Primo Nino made a motion to grant Secondary approval to the Poplar Ridge Subdivision (Petition # 2025 - 01 (SubDiv)). Todd Humbert seconded the motion. Secondary Approval was granted by a vote of 5 ayes, 0 nays and 3 members absent. Brad Eckerle indicated that he needed to make corrections to the Plats before he could get signatures, but that he would bring them around for signature when ready. Paul Lake indicated that if the existing basin was going to be utilized for drainage in the project, then it needed to be added to the plat before signing

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Sandra Kays and seconded by Primo Nino. The Plan Commission's June 23, 2025, was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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