Huntingburg Board of Zoning Appeals Minutes of the Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 1 2019 at 6:30 P.M. Local Time

The Huntingburg Board of Zoning Appeals met in regular session on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at the Huntingburg City Hall. Members present were Dave Schipp, Ronald Mundy, Mike Fulkerson and Dustin Schmett. Others present included: Planning Director, Paul Lake, representatives for Superior Ag (petitioner's representative), Brad and Kimberly Bolling and their attorney, Mr. Cissna. Council member Kerry Blessinger was also in attendance.

The minutes from the Board of Zoning Appeals meetings held on May 15, 2019 were reviewed and a motion to approve as presented was made by Mike Fulkerson seconded by Ronald Mundy. The minutes for the May 15, 2019 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting were approved.

Planning Director Paul Lake summarized the Development Standards Variance being requested by Superior Ag to allow for a surface parking lot to be developed in a residentially zoned area. As a nearby homeowner and councilman for the district, Kerry Blessinger asked several questions related to stormwater drainage and what was driving the need for additional parking. The petitioner indicated that drainage would be via surface drainage basin which would be directed into the existing stormwater sewer located to the west in the alley. The need for additional parking stems from evenings when there are board meetings and there is not enough existing parking. Lighting will be provided but will subdued, and on a timer, so that it is not on all night. The public hearing was opened at 6:40 by Dave Schipp. There being no one wishing to comment from the public, the public hearing was closed at 6:42 pm. After further discussion, a motion to approve the variance was made by Mike Fulkerson and seconded by Dustin Schmett. The Development Standards Variance was approved by a 3-0 vote (1 abstention – Ronald Mundy).

The second petition on the agenda tonight involves a request for a development standards variance to allow for a lot of less than two (2) acres in a large lot subdivision. Additionally, in order to bring the petition before the Board of Zoning Appeals, the petitioners must secure sufficient votes (14 of 17) from the other property owners in the subdivision, to amend the restrictive covenants associated with the subdivision. Brad Bolling informed the Board that he has yet to secure 14 approvals to amend the covenants and would like to request a continuance of the request to a later Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. Following a brief discussion, the Board agreed to schedule another meeting for October 31, 2019 at 6:30 pm to hear the petition. Mr. Bolling was asked to let Paul Lake know as soon as possible if the needed votes were secured from homeowners before the October 31, 2019 meeting.

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There being no other business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dave Schipp and seconded by Dustin Schmett. The October 1, 2019 Board of Zoning Appeals meeting was adjourned at 6:58 pm.

Submitted by:

Secretary

Approved by:

Date:

3-18-2020