

**Huntingburg Advisory Plan Commission**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, May 22, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. Local Time**

The Huntingburg Plan Commission met in regular session on Monday, May 22, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at the Huntingburg City Hall. Members present were Mike Schmett, Matt Julian, Kerry Blessinger, Mike Fulkerson, Primo Nino, Vickie Lewis, Kevin Haycox and Rick Mundy. Josh Morrison was absent. Others present included: Planning Director Paul Lake and Darren Reese.

The commission reviewed the minutes from its March 27, 2017 meeting. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Kerry Blessinger and seconded Mike Fulkerson. The minutes of the March 27, 2017 meeting were approved.

Paul Lake summarized the proposed Main Street Economic Development Area for the Commission. The proposed area is one in which a community input session was held early in the year to discuss the types of things which it might want to see happen within an area surrounding the US231/Main Street Corridor in future years. Paul pointed out that this is an area in which the City would become more competitive in seeking grant funds should a need arise. Paul also stressed that the establishing the North Main Economic Development Area is NOT creating a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District. While TIF could be activated at a later date it is not part of this process. The process to declare an Economic Development Area involves action by the City's Redevelopment Commission (The Redevelopment Commission approved a Declaratory (preliminary) Resolution No. 2017-01 at its meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>), review and adoption of an order from the Plan Commission indicating the Plan Area and types of activity are in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, a council review and ratification of the Redevelopment Commission and Plan Commission actions and documents, and then a public hearing to be held by the Redevelopment Commission. Darren Reese representing SESCO, the consulting company that has worked with the city to establish this Economic Development Area, confirmed everything which Paul has stated. He also confirmed that the action in creating the North Main Street Economic Development Area does not create a TIF district. A motion to approve the Order confirming compliance with the City's Comprehensive Plan was made by Matt Julian and seconded by Rick Mundy. The Order was approved 8-Ayes, 0 Nays.

There being no further business before the Commission was adjourned at 7:39.

Submitted by: Kerry Blessinger  
Secretary

Approved by: Matthew a. Fulkerson Date: 8/21/2017  
President