MINUTES OF THE KEARNEY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION January 09th, 2017

A meeting of the Kearney County Planning Commission was called to order by Vice-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen in the Assembly room of the Courthouse in Minden, Nebraska Kearney County at 7:36 pm on January 09th, 2017.

All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public and in accordance of the Open Meeting Act.

Roll Call: Tom Anderson, Boyd Jacobsen, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff Also present was Kearney County Zoning Administrator Joseph Anderson and Kearney County Attorney Melodie Bellamy

Vise-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen asked if everyone had time to review the minutes from January 11th, 2016 meeting. After reviewing minutes Vise-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Terry Buettner made a motion to approve the minutes, Patty Lundeen seconded Aye: Tom Anderson, Boyd Jacobsen, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper Nay: None

Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff

Vice-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen stated that this being the first meeting of the year that the Planning Commission needed to reorganize for the 2017 year. Zoning administrator Joseph Anderson asked if there were any nominations for the Chairman of the Kearney County Joint Planning Commission.

Patty Lundeen nominated John Kuehn to be Chairman of the Joint Planning Commission, Tom Anderson seconded this nomination. With no other nominations Patty Lundeen made a motion to elect John Kuehn as Chairman of the Kearney County Joint Planning Commission, Tom Anderson Seconded.

Aye: Tom Anderson, Boyd Jacobsen, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper

Nay: None

Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff

Zoning administrator Joseph Anderson asked if there were any nominations for the Vise-Chairman of the Kearney County Joint Planning Commission.

Patty Lundeen nominated Boyd Jacobsen it be the Vice-Chairman of the Joint Planning Commission, Jody Casper seconded this nomination. With no other nominations Patty Lindeen made a motion to elect Boyd Jacobsen as the Vice-Chairman of the Kearney County Joint Planning Commission, seconded by Jody Casper. Aye: Tom Anderson, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper

Nay: None

Abstain: Boyd Jacobsen

Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff

Patty Lundeen made a motion to appoint Zoning Administrator Joseph Anderson as the secretary of the Kearney County Joint Planning Commission, seconded by Jody Casper.

Aye: Tom Anderson, Boyd Jacobsen, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper

Nay: None Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff

Zoning Administrator Joseph Anderson talked with the board about the procedure that is being used for Administrative Subdivision and stated that there needs to be some changes to the Subdivision regulations because what the current regulations are stating are not quite what the intended purpose of the administrative subdivision was meant to be. The board reviewed that regulations and talked about some possible changes. Zoning administrator is going to work with the county Attorney to make some changes and present the updated regulations to the board.

Zoning Administrator Joseph Anderson discussed with the board about a zoning violation were the building was built prior to obtaining a zoning permit. Joseph Anderson was discussing with the board if there was anything that could be added to the regulations to deal with this issue in the future. The board felt that there isn't anything that could be done but felt that the Zoning Administrator should do more to try and educate the public on the necessity of the obtaining a zoning permit prior to starting construction. A couple of the suggested way to educate the public is to add a note to the tax statements that go out to all landowners in the county, or run a add in the local paper explaining that zoning permits are needed.

Zoning Administrator Joseph Anderson discussed with the board about adding some language to the zoning regulations about exempting irrigation systems for setback requirements and obtaining a zoning permit prior to construction. The board felt that this was a good idea but felt that some language needed to be added to not allow irrigation systems in the right-of-way and also to make sure that they were not a sight hindrance.

Vice-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen asked when the next meeting date will be. Next regular meeting date will be February 13th, 2017.

Vice-Chairman Boyd Jacobsen asked if there was anything else that the board would like to discuss. With no other business Terry Buettner made a motion to adjourn seconded by Tom Anderson Aye: Tom Anderson, Boyd Jacobsen, Patty Lundeen, Terry Buettner, Jody Casper Nay: None Members absent: Dawn Thompson, John Kuehn, Scott Torske, Malcom Dornhoff Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.