

Pulaski County Advisory Plan Commission
Regular Session
Pulaski County Highway Garage
Winamac, Indiana
March 31, 2025 7:00 pm

APC Commission members present were Mike Tiede, Breann Wilson, Tyler Gutwein, Todd Schmicker, alternate Dusty Wilson, Karla Redweik and Tina Dunn

Members absent were Abby Dickey, Ray Franco, Bob Keller, Mike McClure, and Megan Korous.

Also present were Terri Hansen, Raymond Hansen, Scott Becker, Emily Hizer, Brian Young, Bob Barger, Franna Barger, Wanda Smolek, Keith Davis, Darrel Gudeman, Dale Pelsy, Dan M?, Josh Stamper, Diane Cervenka, Mark Cervenka, Darlene Olds, Dave Olds, Kevin Wyatt, Kathy Wyatt, Jamie Murray, AJ Gutwein, ? Gutwein, Anthony Goheen, Matthew Goheen, Ed Cotner, Connie Ehrich, Gail Lambert, Larry Lambert, Chris Brucker, Isaiah Tidwell, Linda Fritz, Matt Rausch, Ron Bischoff and Angie Bischoff.

Call To Order

Administrator Redweik called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge

Approval Of Agenda

Mike Teide motions, Breann Wilsons seconds, Motion passed

Approval of Minutes

Approval of February 6th minutes. Mike Teide motions, Tyler Gutwein seconds, Motion passed.

New Business

Reappointment of Bob Keller for plan commission appointee for BZA. Breann Wilson motions, Tyler Gutwein seconds. Motions passed.

There were some changes to the legal notice for the February 6th meeting so battery storage moratorium was added to the agenda as new business so there was no misunderstanding on what was talked about at earlier meetings. Administrator Redweik reads the battery storage moratorium to the members. (Attached)

Mike Teide-Was that for 18 months last month?

Dusty- Why 18 months? Why not a year?

Breann-It takes time to study these things

Todd- 18 months is fine

Public comment on BESS

Joy Moyer-Has there been any applications for battery storage?

Karla – No

Connie Ehrlich-Read a statement for Jason Kuchmay giving examples of dangers of BESS.

Kevin Wyatt-Do we have an engineering firm that can approve the plans for the BESS.

Mike Teide-VS Engineering is contracted with the county.

Kevin Wyatt-For battery storage?

Karla- That language is something that could be put in the ordinance.

Gail Lambert-Moss landing (California) BESS fire update- Heavy metals

Dale Pelsy-The county totally unprepared for this type of thing. Send a questioner out to all property owners to get their input.

Karla-Any other public comment?

Sheila Hazemi -Do you plan on voting on this tonight?

Karla-Yes

Sheila Hazemi -Do you have a quorum?

Karla-Yes

Sheila Hazemi-Dusty can vote?

Karla- He was an alternate selected.

Sheila-Alternates can only vote if someone resigns or not applicable for the board

Karla-There a section in Indiana code that I reached out to the attorney on and Dusty can be here as an alternate and if he chooses to abstain then his is ok as an alternate.

Mike Teide- I sent Karla some information on the Jasper County BESS. The board needs to take a tour of it and look at Jasper County ordinance.

Karla-I noticed that the date on the moratorium form earlier is wrong, I will have to change it to reflect the date the commissioners which will be April 7th.

Karla- So is the board interested in voting to approve, deny or table.

Tyler Gutwein motions to approve. Breann seconds

Mike Teide opposes

Mike Teide- I think we should wait until we have a full board.

Tyler- We have already voted on the exact same thing once before.

Karla- With 3 board members approving (Gutwein, Wilson, Schmicker)

1 opposing (Williams) and 1 abstaining (Teide). I would say it didn't pass but I'm not an attorney. I am going to take this to the county attorney because I have no answer on how this has ended.

Public comment closed on battery moratorium part of the meeting.

Old Business

County Council didn't approve additional for the attorney you voted on and the attorney was concerned about conflict, so I started to reach out to a couple others.

Board secretary-plan commission administration will do the secretary duties.

Public comment

Connie- so there was no result in the vote tonight on BESS?

Mike Teide- I think we need have a full board.

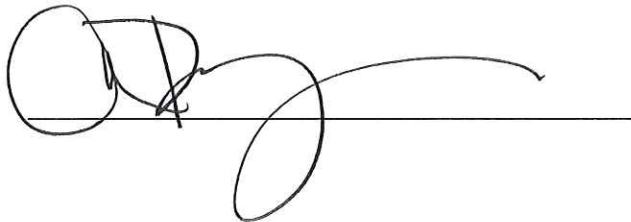
Adjournment

Mike Teide motions to adjourn, Tyler Gutwein Seconds motion passes

Adjourned at 7:35 pm

Next meeting will be held on Monday May 19th at 7 pm at the Pulaski County Highway Garage.

President Abby Dickey

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Vice President Ray Franko

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Tina Dunn Administration

