



City of Wabash

Wabash City Plan Commission

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WABASH CITY PLAN COMMISSION

January 8, 2025
City Hall @ 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: John Burnsworth, Bill Barrows, Chad Maple, Mary Kramer, Scott Greiner, Justin Adams, Heather Allen-Hoover, Attorney Doug Lehman, Secretary Jeff Knee.

Members Absent: Justin Sluss, 1 New Member.

President John Burnsworth called the meeting to order with a roll call attendance @ 6:30 p.m.

1. Old Business:

A. Minutes from the December 4, 2024, meeting was approved as presented.

2. New Business:

A. Recognize new board members with the election of officers for 2025.

Nomination made by Member Bill Barrows with a second by Member Chad Maple to have John Burnsworth continue as President for 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination made by Member Bill Barrows with a second by Member John Burnsworth to have Mary Kramer be elected as Vice President for 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination made by Member Mary Kramer with a second by Member Bill Barrows to have Jeff Knee continue as Secretary of the Plan Commission for 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Nomination made by Member Bill Barrows with a second by Member Chad Maple to have Doug Lehman continue as Plan Commission Attorney for 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Wabash City Plan Commission Resolution Number 1 an amendment to the subdivision regulations involving subdivisions of industrial property excluding such subdivisions from the requirements of the subdivision control ordinance. Open public meeting hearing.

Attorney Doug Lehman explained Subdivision. Ordinance as it is written, and the changes recommended to the Sub-division control ordinance and exclusion.

After the review, Member Bill Barrows made a motion to vote on the amendment to the subdivision regulations on Resolution #1. After a roll call vote the Resolution #1 passed unanimously. 7-0.

C. City of Wabash Ordinance to be reviewed as the possible ordinance for the Solar and Wind Energy Systems. With an explanation and discussion for the members to review.

Attorney Doug Lehman spoke on the current sample ordinance and the progress moving forward with the members.

After being opened to the audience, Pam Hawkins of 4461 S. 150 W. Wabash voiced her concerns of protecting the environment, ditches, drains, and the impact on wildlife, and the rivers.

Chris Hickman of 5859 S. 100 W. Wabash, commented that some counties that jumped on board the Solar Farms, have now come to regret it, and are in the process of decommissioning.

Suzanne Peebles of 7297 S. State Rd 13 Wabash discussed the tax credits and the value of Ag ground.

Attorney Doug Lehman explained the zoning Jurisdiction Boundaries, and that the city has some say in how to develop the jurisdiction area. If the City expands the Jurisdiction does not grow by 2 more miles.

Letheda Metzger of 686 W 150 W. Wabash, asked when the jurisdiction boundaries came into being & asked about detailed Jurisdictional Map.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned.