

Fortville Plan Commission
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 6/27/2023 - 6:30 pm

1. OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Amandia Jeschke (Vice Chairperson), followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

- **Commission Members Present:** Jason Stein, Brittney Layton, Amandia Jeschke, Cheyenne Hoffa, Dan Justus - **Quorum established.**
- **Commission Members Absent:** Nathan Sturdevant, Jason Snider
- **Town Staff Present:** Adam Zaklikowski – Planning & Building Director, Tyler Ochs sitting in for Alex Intermill - Town Attorney (via Zoom)
- **Town Staff Absent:** Andy Williams – Recording Secretary

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Stein motioned to approve the 5/30/2023 minutes, 2nd – D. Justus. Motion carried 4-0, 1 abstained (B. Layton)

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

J. Stein motioned to approve agenda, 2nd - B. Layton. Motion carried 5-0.

4. NEW BUSINESS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

Case No. RZ-01-2023 – 600 & 602 Vitality Drive Rezone – Vernon Township Property

Considering a petition by Vernon Township to Rezone approximately 10.77 acres (3 parcels total) from Commercial: Neighborhood (CN) to Institutional (IN).

Staff Presentation

Adam Zaklikowski gives the staff presentation via slides including plan overview –

- Location: 600 & 602 Vitality Drive
- 3 Parcels size of 10.77 acres total
- Request to simply clean up the zoning to make consistent with the use of the land.
- Current Zoning: Neighborhood (CN)
- Maps & images of aerial / parcel, oblique, zoning maps
- Town Council supportive of request
- Community response requirements were completed – no remonstrance.
- Staff recommendation is that the Plan Commission grant a favorable recommendation to the Town Council for the Rezone.

Commission Questions for Staff – None

Petitioner Presentation / Statement

Jeff Bellamy – Bring the zoning into consistency with surrounding parcels. Likely community gardens, fire training grounds, possible library site. Nothing is under contract. These are aspirations.

Commission Questions for the Petitioner

J. Stein – What would the fire training area look like, out of curiosity?

Florence May, Vernon Township Trustee – Stacked shipment containers, berm with tall ornamental grass and pollinators to conceal the area. Concrete pads to bring in training apparatuses. Built to look like a mini training facility.

Amandia Jeschke – Adam, will the site plan have to come back for review and approval?

Adam Z. – It could.

Florence May – VTFD still must buy a 2-million-dollar ladder truck, so the training area will not be happening soon.

J. Stein – Will the training grounds cause any type of safety concerns (fire, smoke, pollution)?

D. Justus – They won't cause any disruption or hinderance. Other communities have them.

Public Comments – None

Government Officials Comments / Remonstrance – None

Petitioner Comments - None

Commission Motion

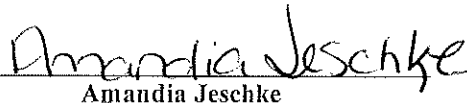
C. Hoffa motions to make a Positive Recommendation on Case No. RZ-01-2023, 2nd – J. Stein. Motion carried 5-0.

5. **BOARD COMMENTS – None**

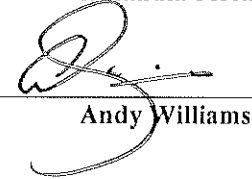
6. **ADJOURNMENT**

J. Stein motioned to adjourn at 6:54 pm, 2nd – B. Layton. Motion carried, 5-0.

Board Vice Chairperson:


Amandia Jeschke

Recording Secretary:


Andy Williams