MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF PLAN COMMISSION
February 4, 2020 at 5:30 P.M.
Jefferson County Courthouse
Annex Bldg., Surveyor's Office
315 Jefferson St., Madison, IN 47250

MEMBERS PRESENT:	WARREN AUXIER, President, DENNIS BOWYER, VIRGINIA FRANKS, DAVID BRAMER, GENE RIEDEL, RAY DENNING, JASON GOLEY, DAVID FERGUSON, and MIKE PITTMAN
VISITORS PRESENT:	CHRISTINA WILSON, LEWIS HANDLON, BEN LUNSFORD, and BRIDGETT COUCH
STAFF PRESENT:	JIM DIERDORF, Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer, and LYNETTE ANDERSON, Secretary

President Warren Auxier called the meeting to order. A quorum was present with no one absent. Virginia Franks made a motion to approve minutes from January 7, 2020. Dennis Bowyer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. There were no communications or any new business.

Current business as follows:

Updates on Violations:

- Foltz Road- Richard Bunch property- a complaint was received about an individual living in a barn. This is in violation as there is already a residence on the property. Jim Dierdorf made a visit to the property and also sent a letter. The property owner agreed to move the individual into the house to correct the violation.
- SR 62- Dilon Whitham property- Mr. Whitham is adding-on to his home without getting a permit. Mr. Whitham told Jim Dierdorf he is building his addition according to the Log Cabin Rule. Jim Dierdorf told Mr. Whitham even though there is no fee to build under the Log Cabin Rule, Mr. Whitham still needs to obtain a building permit. Jim Dierdorf sent a letter reiterating this information.
- 933 W- Reed property- this property is in violation as a trailer was placed on the property without obtaining a building permit and the trailer is not within the setback requirements. In addition, there are wooden pallets, trash, and debris on the property which also is in violation. Jim Dierdorf sent a letter to the property owner describing these violations and informing the property owner a building permit is required.

Handlon property on Polk Road: Jim Dierdorf looked at the property and stated not much has changed; the trailers are in the exact same place as they were last month. Mr. Handlon said the

property is a swamp. Christina Wilson told the board three cars have been moved "out back to the junk" and Terry took off a trailer of tires. Ms. Wilson stated that Terry will take off two of the trailers when he can get in there to get them (it's too muddy right now). Jim asked about the three trailers instead of two. Ms. Wilson said the other trailer belongs to Ben and his girlfriend, Bridgett Couch, (Ben Lunsford and Bridgett Couch arrived at the meeting late around 6:40 P.M.). Warren Auxier also looked at the property and stated he agreed not much has changed; however, he could tell some things had been moved. Warren Auxier told Mr. Handlon and Ms. Wilson that even though it is too wet right now to move larger items, small items could be picked up around the property that would help in appearance. The board decided to table this item for another thirty (30) days as weather has been an issue. Gene Riedel made a motion to table this item for next month's meeting on March 3, 2020. Ray Denning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Two-Mile Buffer Zone: The Commissioners paused the buffer zone for 180 days from January 9, 2020. Gene Riedel asked if the City is on board and Warren Auxier explained the City is on board with the meeting and on board to resolve issues within the buffer zone. Warren Auxier also explained the City is not in favor of surrendering zoning control back to the county. David Bramer read a letter from Mayor Courtney addressed to the County Commissioners. A meeting to discuss the buffer zone with representatives from the City of Madison, Plan Commission (Warren Auxier), Board of Zoning Appeals (Bob Jacobson & Mike Shelton) and the Commissioners will be held February 5, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. at the Commissioners' Office. This meeting is open to the public.

Leach property-550W: Jim Dierdorf updated the board on the trailer that was removed from the Gunter property on New Bethel Road and placed in violation on 550 West-Ramona Leach property. Jim Dierdorf has been in contact with the property owner's care taker, Curtis. From their conversations, the trailer will be moved as soon as the weather permits and Curtis can hire someone to move it. Curtis also told Jim Dierdorf that he will clean up the trash on the property as well. Jim Dierdorf asked the board for a timeframe for the trailer to be removed. The board told Jim Dierdorf to keep an eye on the property and the weather and for Jim to come up with a timeframe for the trailer to be moved. Jim is to report back to the board if the trailer does not get moved in a timely manner.

Hall property-Jones Road: A shed was placed on the property without obtaining a building permit. Several inoperable vehicles, trash, debris and old tires are on the property. Also there are campers placed on the property; all of the above are in violation. Jim Dierdorf sent a letter to the property owner informing him the property needs to be cleaned up, vehicles removed, campers cannot be used as second residences and a building permit is required.

Other business/misc items not on agenda as follows:

- **Two new members:** Mike Pittman is the new County Surveyor and David Ferguson is the newly appointed member of the Plan Commission. Welcome both Mike and David!

President Warren Auxier asked if there is anything else that needs to be mentioned or discussed. There was nothing further. Dennis Bowyer moved for a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Ferguson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Minutes prepared by: Lynette Anderson
Lynette Anderson, Secretary

APPROVED THIS 3 DAY OF March, 2020.

JEFFERSON COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION

BY: Warren C. Auxier
WARREN AUXIER, President