

Plan Commission

The Plan Commission of the City of La Porte held a meeting on July 12th, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. with Chairperson Jerry Jackson presiding and the following in attendance:

Pete Saunders

David Porter

Vickie Gushrowski

Paul Vincent

Julie West

Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Chairperson Jerry Jackson asked the public if there were any non-agenda items. There were no comments.

Approval of Minutes

Chairperson Jerry Jackson asked the board if they had reviewed the minutes from the March 8th, 2022, meeting and if there were corrections or additions. Hearing none he asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. David Porter made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Julie West 2nd the motion. Motion carried and minutes were approved.

PRELIMINARY PLAT #22-01 PETITION TO ALLOW FIVE (5) LOT RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1-4 IN BLOCK 8 IN W.J. WALKER'S ADDITION OF OUTLOTS IN THE CITY OF LAPORTE, INDIANA, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, THOWNSHIP 36 NOTH, RANGE 3 WEST, CENTER TOWNSHIP, CITY OF LAPORTE, LAPORTE, COUNTY, INDIANA.

Tony Hendricks opened to explain what Habitat for Humanity is looking to do with the lots. In splitting them and furthering their plans with the lots they would save 3 times the amount of runoff that the previous lots have had in the past.

Chairperson Jerry Jackson asked the question on if all the foundations have been removed in that area. Tony Hendricks responded stating that “Yes, all the foundations have been removed.”

Mr. David Porter asked if the plan was to build something similar to what was built over by Parks School. Jeff Alborn answered with “that is the plan, to have it very similar to what happened over at Parks School.”

Chairperson Jerry Jackson then asked Jeff to explain what Habitat for Humanity does for the community.

Jeff then explained how their organization helps the citizens with housing and then explained the process. Where people will submit an application and once a family is select the family must put in 250 hours of sweat equity (help build their house or someone else’s). Then once their house is built, they tie the house mortgage to their income with a zero percent interest mortgage for so many years. If they get more volunteers the house mortgage can be lowered.

Chairperson Jerry Jackson asked if there were any comments from the public. There was no comment.

Jerry Jackson then asked for discussion. There was no discussion.

David Heinold then came up front to explain what it is that is being discussed. In re subdivide the 4 lots into 5 new lots. David also gave

dimensions on how big the lots would be. David then explained in the Muni code what is allowed and the process on how to get lots subdivided.

Mr. Paul Vincent made a motion to approve a 5-lot re-subdivision preliminary plat. Mr. David Porter 2nd the motion and the motion passed 6 to 0.

FINAL PLAT #22-01 PETITION TO ALLOW FIVE (5) LOT RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1-4 IN BLOCK 8 IN W.J. WALKER'S ADDITION OF OUTLOTS IN THE CITY OF LAPORTE, INDIANA, IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 36 NOTH, RANGE 3 WEST, CENTER TOWNSHIP, CITY OF LAPORTE, LAPORTE, COUNTY, INDIANA.

Mr. Paul Vincent Made a motion for a favorable recommendation to approve the Final Plat for the 5-lot re-subdivision. Mr. David Porter 2nd the motion and the motion passed 6 to 0.

Old Business

Chairperson Jerry Jackson asked for any old business.

David Heinold spoke how Craig and Him have been talking with JRW on how they have some recommendation on how to change some of the zoning and subdivision ordinances this summer. He states that they are looking to give a full presentation at another plan commission meeting.

David had an update on getting a committee together on bicycling and the different ideas on how the city can get new biking workshop going.

New Business

No new business

Other Business

No other business

Adjournment

Mr. David Porter made a motion to adjourn, Mrs. Vickie Gushrowski 2nd the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jerry Jackson, Chairperson

Nickolas Owens, Secretary