

City of Sachse, Texas
Planning and Zoning Commission

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, September 11, 2000

Time: 7:00 PM Place: Sachse City Hall

Members Present:

Bob Boswell, Chairman
Chuck Schaefer
William Hession
Heath Smith
Paul Conant

Members Absent:

Charles Smith

The meeting was opened by Chairman Bob Boswell, and a quorum was declared.

Item #1: Work Session: Orientation by Attorney Jason Marshall:

City Attorney, Jason Marshall conducted an orientation/discussion on the duties and responsibilities of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Item #2: Election of Planning & Zoning Commission Officers:

Mr. Chuck Schaefer was nominated for Chairman by Mr. Paul Conant, seconded by Mr. William Hession

Mr. Bob Boswell was nominated for Vice Chairman by Chuck Schaefer, seconded by Paul Conant

Mr. Charles Smith was nominated for Secretary by Mr. Heath Smith, seconded by Paul Conant.

Heath Smith was nominated for Vice Secretary by Chuck Schaefer, seconded by William Hession.

The nominations passed unanimously.

Item #3 Minutes of August 14, 2000 Meeting:

A motion was made by Bob Boswell to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Heath Smith and passed unanimously.

Item #4: Public Hearing to amend the Sachse Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 11, Article 2, Definitions, by amending the definition of "Masonry Construction" to add cement-based siding as masonry construction in limited uses:

Chuck Schaefer opened the public hearing. Community Development Director, Mr. Garry Adams made a brief presentation of this request, explaining that numerous other cities were allowing cement based siding for masonry construction. He advised that making this change to the ordinance would clarify the existing definition & make provisions to allow this product on add-ons, garages, etc., while maintaining the existing masonry code on main structures. There were no public comments. After a brief discussion, Bill Hession made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Heath Smith and passed unanimously.

Item #5

Public Hearing to amend the Sachse Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 11, Article 2, Definitions, by amending the definition of "Masonry Construction" to add cement-based siding as masonry construction in limited uses:

Bill Hession made a motion to accept the request to amend the Sachse Zoning Ordinance by amending the definition of Masonry Construction as detailed in the draft ordinance. The motion was seconded by Heath Smith and passed unanimously.

Item #6

Discuss & Consider a request from Liz Tobler to allow limited outside display in commercial zones:

Liz Tobler, of 3345 7th St. addressed the board about this request. She requested that the board consider amending Sachse City Ordinance to allow outside display in commercial zones on specific days, in order to generate more sales revenue for businesses in these zones. Kathy Cobb of 3820 6th St. spoke in favor of the city researching this request further to see if outside display could be allowed with certain limitations. Rita with the Dollar General store on Hwy. 78 explained that many people drive by the business thinking it is closed because there is no outside display of items for sale. Ms. Tobler distributed an information packet to the board that detailed the ordinances of several adjacent cities in regards to outside display. Community Development Director, Garry Adams presented a brief slide show, explaining that with the limited sidewalk space on most existing buildings along Hwy. 78, as well as the difficult task in limiting the type, duration & location of outside display, staff feels like the ordinance as it exists is fair & easily enforced. After a brief discussion, Paul Conant made a motion to deny consideration of the request. The motion was seconded by Bob Boswell and passed unanimously.

Item #7

Report From Staff:

Garry Adams, Community Development Director very briefly updated the board on the master plan.

There being no further business, Heath Smith made a motion to adjourn. Paul Conant seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.


Secretary


Chairman