

LAND INFORMATION / ZONING COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 13, 2022

Chairman Willingham called the meeting of the Rusk County Zoning/Land Information Committee to order at 3:03 P.M. in the Law Enforcement Center in the Rusk County Government Center. Members present were David Willingham, Jonathan Unterschuetz, Terry Wedwick, and Mark Schmitt. Staff present: Yvonne Johnson, Verna Nielsen, Nick Stadnyk, Mary Berg, Colleen Schott, and John Fitzl.

No public comment.

Schmitt/Unterschuetz motion to approve the committee minutes from the August 8th and August 23rd meetings. Motion carried.

Payment Approval Reports: Unterschuetz/Wedwick motion to approve the Land Information payment report. Johnson requesting to wait for finance to fix the Zoning payment report. Motion carried.

Land Information Report: Fitzl reported he is catching up. There were 2 fire numbers in and 8 were assigned longitude and latitude.

Register of Deeds Report: Berg stated there were 348 recordings and 241 vitals. Added three veterans and two businesses to the Honors Reward program. Tract indexing has been added to the server. Hoping to have available to the public on Thursday. Out of county travel to the fall conference. Unterschuetz/Schmitt to approve out of county travel. Motion Carried

Treasurer Report: Nielsen reported 8 plat books sold last month. There are 8 properties to sell from tax deed. Discussion with Mapping Solution about plat books. May be ready in August of 2023. No adds will be in the plat books.

Zoning Report: Johnson stated the Land Use Permits to date are at 314 compared to 293 last year. Sanitary permits are currently at 82 in comparison to 111 in 2021. A total of 318 camper permits have been issued. Enforcement: Citation for unpermitted camper. Letter sent for unpermitted fire pit within the 75' setback; filling/grading/camper issue: storage building built within 75' setback; letter sent to Rafko. Colleen sent out 17 enforcement letters, 11 have been resolved. There were 5 new dwellings for the month of August. Still involved with unpermitted fill project.

Land Conservation Report: Stadnyk stated they have a meeting on September 20th at the Town of True town hall regarding the renaming of a road. Shoreland preservation program was a great success. Had 49 people interested but can only do 10 projects this year. Conservation days at Trails End is this Thursday and Friday. Stadnyk stated he will be going out to spray the out of control purple loosestrife. He informed the committee he did an onsite visit to the property owner, who was at the county board meeting, to discuss her complaint about the water level on Pulaski Lake.

Chairman Willingham recessed the zoning meeting at 3:35 P.M. to open a public hearing for a request to allow a mobile home built prior to 1976. Town of Atlanta for Aaron Doane. Chairman Willingham closed the public hearing at 3:38 P.M. to reopen the zoning meeting. Reviewed the staff recommendations. Motion by Wedwick/Schmitt to approve the request as presented with the staff recommendations as the conditions. Motion carried.

Johnson gave a synopsis of the current budget and revenues. Stadnyk submitted proposed budget to the Finance committee.

Stadnyk stated he met with the Personnel committee regarding the wage adjustment for the GIS technician position. Hopefully the resolution will get approved to hire.

Fitzl explained the 911 system is not NextGen ready. Not fully prepared. He stated there is a grant available geared for GIS. The grant will match 25%. Grant deadline is end of October. The grant could help pay a 3rd party company to go out and get addressing. The company is offering to do a free evaluation. Want approval to check into it. Willingham asked about cost. Fitzl stated the evaluation is free. Motion to have the free evaluation completed Schmitt/Unterschuetz Motion carried.

Johnson requested out of county travel for fall conference in Lacrosse. Schmitt/Unterschuetz to approve Johnson and Schott attending the WCCA conference October 19-21. Motion carried

The next regular meeting will be October 13, 2022 at 3:00 P.M.

Chairman Willingham adjourned the meeting at 4:21 P.M.

Colleen Schott Zoning Technician