

HEBRON PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 13, 2009 MEETING

The Hebron Plan Commission meeting of October 13, 2009 was called to order by President Scott Sweeney. Also, in attendance were George Harness, David Peeler, Steve Sibbrell, Pete Breuckman, Jennifer Mantai, Attorney Theodore A. Fitzgerald and Clerk-Treasurer Terri Waywood. It was noted that Executive Secretary Joanne Garrett-Hansen was on vacation. Also, in attendance were Councilmen Don Ensign, Jeff Grogan and Pete Breuckman.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the following business was conducted.

Approval of Minutes - On motion of Steve Sibbrell, seconded by Pete Breuckman and duly carried 6-0, the minutes from the September 8, 2009 meeting were approved as submitted.

New Business: Tap fees for Schererville Auto - Pete Breuckman reported that Schererville Auto paid the required tap fees, but is now requesting the money back. Attorney Fitzgerald stated that the Town does not have a provision for returning tap fees and he recommended that the Town require these fees. He further noted that this is not a Plan Commission issue.

602 Norbeh Drive - Councilman Don Ensign stated that he received a complaint about this area being a junk yard. He noted that junk cars are all around included in the fenced in area. Attorney Fitzgerald stated that a repair shop must have a work order on any car at its location. It was agreed that a Code Enforcement Officer will take the owner a copy of the Town's ordinance and will red tag the business.

HRC - Mike Manati and Mike Reick presented that Commission with a list of areas that need to be improved. Included on this list were unpaved parking areas, carport structures violating setback requirements, overgrown weeds and grass along Main Street and industrial business in storefronts. Mr. Reick stated that if the Town wants to attract business, we really need to look at this issue. A discussion ensued. The Commission asked the HRC to provide them with specific addresses of property in violation of ordinances.

Old Business:

Master Plan - Chuck Echkenstahler presented the Commission with a survey and asked the Commission for their input on the survey questions. Discussion ensued. The survey will be noted on the water bills directing the community to the visit the website, visithebron.org, which will allow the community to take the survey which will take approximately three to five minutes. Mr. Echkenstahler stated that hard copies of the survey will be available at Town Hall.

Colvin property on Jefferson - George Harness reported that about a week ago he was contacted by a bank regarding a loan in order for the Colvin's to pay someone to work on the property. Mr. Harness noted that they are working on the property, but there is still a lot to complete.

Signs - Closed business signs - This matter was turned over to the Ordinance Officer. Discussion ensued. This matter was tabled.

Moving issues - None pending.

Clean of Property - Don Ensign noted that DANO cleaned up the property.

There being no further business before the Commission, on motion of Scott Sweeney, seconded by Dave Peeler and duly carried 5-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Garrett-Hansen
Executive Secretary

Approved:

Scott Sweeney, President