

MINUTES
VONORE MUNICIPAL/REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
October 1, 2019

Members Present

Harold Davis, Secretary
Bob Lovingood, Mayor
Thomas Flynn
Tim Swafford

Members Absent

Allen Cansler, Chair
Greg Fowler
Michael Moore

Others Present

Ruth Viergutz Hawk, Planner
Greg Altum, Press
Scott Davis
Annette Hommel
Shelby Davis

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Lovingood called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. immediately following the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. Commissioner Swafford moved to approve the minutes of September 3, 2019. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

SITE PLAN FOR A BOAT AND RV STORAGE FACILITY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF NILES FERRY ROAD BEHIND DERBY DOWNS SHOPPING CENTER, PARCEL 058.04, MONROE COUNTY TAX MAP 038, 7.06 ACRES, ZONED C-3 (SITE, Inc., Applicant)

Hawk presented the site plan. A general discussion followed. Scott Davis, developer, and Annette Hommel, design engineer for SITE, Inc., answered questions about the development. There will be 160 storage units in the facility. Hawk recommended approval of the site plan subject to submitting lighting details, the siren activated gate details, obtaining an address for the site, and determining electricity provider.

Commissioner Davis moved to approve the site plan subject to submitting lighting details, the siren activated gate details, obtaining an address for the site, and determining electricity provider. Commissioner Flynn seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF 5 SMALL CELL TELECOMMUNICATION ANTENNAE PLACEMENT LOCATIONS WITHIN THE STREET RIGHTS-OF-WAYS WITHIN THE VONORE CITY LIMITS (US Cellular, Applicant)

Hawk presented the request for five small cell telecommunication antennae to be located at Excellence Way & National Drive, Dawson Street east of Highway 360, Dawson Street at Highway 411, Church Street at the Museum, and Highway 360 at the Sequoyah Museum. Hawk reviewed the new State Law which dictates what cities can and cannot regulate with regards to siting such antennae. Hawk also reviewed the Tennessee Department of Transportation Clear Zone Distance information regarding the minimum distance fixed objects should be located from the edge of pavement/traveled way. The proposed site on Dawson Street east of Highway 360 is currently under construction for the improvements required as part of the Magnolia House Memorandum of Understanding. A general discussion followed. Hawk recommended denial

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because the proposed poles were going to be too close to the edge of pavement/traveled way which encroached into the recommended clear zone and because Dawson Street east of Highway 360 is under construction and the proposed location would be in the street.

Commissioner Davis moved to deny the proposed antennae pole locations because the locations violated the minimum clear zone and Dawson Street is currently under construction. Commissioner Swafford seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Hawk is to write a letter to the applicant's representative stating that Vonore is pleased they will be providing service to the area, but that the proposed pole locations will need to meet the minimum clear zone distance.

OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Davis moved to adjourn. Commissioner Swafford seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Hawk conducted a one-hour training session on small cell telecommunication technology and placement.

Secretary

Date