

ARNA PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

January 3, 2024

Members attending are: Bob Brewster, Walt Hodgeman, Andrew Allen, Bill Sieberlich and Board Member and Secretary, Cheryl Wickham. Guests are: Lynn Anderson, Tracy Erickson, Todd Johnson, Carol Mc Pherson and David Hughes and Officer McGregor.

The pledge to the flag was done, and then Bob stated at the beginning of the meeting that there will be no guest participation at this meeting since there is so much to get through tonight.

The minutes from the October, 2023 meeting were read and a motion was made by Bob and a 2nd by Walt to approve them. All Yay and motion carried.

Bob gave the new members on the Board a copy of all the Town Ordinances and he gave a refresher course on explaining how this works as follows: The Comprehensive Plan is just for information and policy goals, and has no rules. The Zoning and Nuisance Ordinances contain the actual rules. Bob explained that at a previous meeting, the Town Board had given the Planning Commission permission to study and propose a new zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Board members agreed we should start as soon as possible. It might come that we need to meet more often than quarterly to accomplish this.

The current Violation handout was discussed

The guests, Todd Johnson, David Hughes and Tracy Erickson were disruptive and asked to leave. The Board voted 5 to 0 for them to leave as they were disrupting the meeting and Bob gave them a Notice of Trespass and they refused to leave. Bob called the Sheriff and they said they will be sending a deputy out.

Tracy handed out a pamphlet regarding a Supreme Court ruling over an abandoned railroad in Iowa. He claimed this ruling shows he owns the Gandy Dancer Trail by his land in Markville. He gave a copy to each PC member.

David, Todd, & Tracy all left before the Deputy arrived.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for April 3, 2024.