

MINUTES
SOUTH WHITLEY PLAN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2019
6:30 P.M.

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN HALL
118 E. Front Street, South Whitley

MEMBERS PRESENT

Wendy Bills
Tom Dome
Les Hoffman
Anna Simmons
Wayne Swender

STAFF

Nathan Bilger

MEMBERS ABSENT

Randy Cokl
Brock Waterson

VISITORS

There were no visitors in attendance at the April 15, 2019, South Whitley Plan Commission meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Bilger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

INTRODUCTION AND SWEARING IN OF NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Bilger stated that Mr. Waterson, the newest Town Council member, had been appointed to the Commission. Mr. Bilger reminded the Commission that they have two open seats and asked them to consider if they knew anyone who would be willing to serve.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Bilger read the roll with those members present and absent being listed above.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2019

Mr. Bilger opened nominations for officers in 2019. After a brief discussion, Mr. Hoffman made a motion for to keep the same officers as in 2018, with Ms. Bills as President, Mr. Swender as Vice President and representative to the BZA. Ms. Simmons seconded, and the motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2018, MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Hoffman made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Ms. Bills seconded, and the motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no old business.

OTHER BUSINESS

The members and staff discussed several topics and projects happening in town. These included:

- Mr. Hoffman discussed the Town's acquisition of downtown buildings formerly owned by Mavis Whitehead. The Town plans to clean and renovate the buildings for lease and resale. This is anticipated to spur interest in renovations from other building owners.
- Mr. Bilger gave an update on the Redevelopment Commission and the creation of the new TIF district.
- Ms. Bills and Ms. Simmons provided information on the planned gateway park that was recently funded. This is to be located on the site of the Kent Theater; construction should start in May.
- Mr. Bilger provided information about the few remaining residential lots available in Town. He noted that Whispering Hills had only about 4-5 lots left, and there are only a handful of other vacant lots elsewhere in town.
- The Commission remembered Bill Boggs.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no business to come before the Plan Commission, Mr. Swender made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Hoffman seconded, and the members voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 P.M.