

**Kankakee County
PZA Committee
May 18, 2022**

The meeting of the Kankakee County Planning, Zoning & Agriculture Committee was held on May 18, 2022 and was called to order by Committee Chairman, Mr. Fetherling at 9:00am. The following members were present:

Mr. Fetherling, Mr. Miller, Mr. Payton, Mr. Fairfield, Mr. Snipes, Mr. Swanson, Mr. Dunnill, Mr. Ekhoﬀ, Mr. Kerkstra, Ms. Hudson, Mr. Gowler and Mr. Wheeler

Members Absent –Ms. Peters, Mr. Tholen, Ms. Bryan, Mr. Collins Mr. Alexander-Hildebrand and Mr. Sirois

Quorum – Present

Department Heads Present – John Coghlan, Delbert Skimerhorn, Ben Wilson

Media Present – None

Public Commentary – None

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of April 20, 2022 were submitted to the committee for approval.

Mr. Kerkstra made a motion to approve and Mr. Ekhoﬀ seconded the motion. Motion passed with a voice vote.

Building

Building Report

Building Report – April 2022

Mr. Skimerhorn reviewed the report with the committee. There were 69 permits issued for the month of April.

Mr. Swanson made a motion to Approve and Mr. Dunnill seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Zoning

- ZBA Case#22-02; request for a Rezoning from A-1 Agriculture District to A-2 Agriculture Estates District on a parcel generally situated in Section 14 of Norton Township. The petitioners are Donna and Merlyn Witheft, property owners are Aiden Witheft, applicant.

Mr. Skimerhorn reviewed the request with the committee. ZBA heard the case on May 9th and recommended approval with a 6-0 vote. No objectors were present.

Mr. Snipes made a motion to approve getting bids, and Mr. Miller seconded it. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Old Business

Mr. Skimerhorn announced an opening on the Regional Planning Commission.

Mr. Skimerhorn advised that the meeting for the Essex solar farm has been moved to a date in July.

New Business

Mr. Miller spoke regarding the broadband services that are soon to be offered to those in the rural communities.

Mr. Wilson also spoke regarding the program and that the county was awarded the funding for the program. Discussions were held.

Adjournment

Mr. Kerkstra made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 a.m. Ms. Hudson seconded the motion. Motion carried by a voice vote.

John Fetherling, Committee Chairperson

Kelly Bylak, Executive Coordinator

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