Abilene Planning Commission Minutes Abilene Public Library 209 NW 4th St., Abilene, KS March 1, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.



1. Call to Order by Chair Marshall

2. Roll Call – Planning Commissioners Present: Rod Boyd, Chair Bill Marshall, Travis Sawyer, Helen Pugh, Diana Miller, Matt Mead

Absent: Vice Chair Brenda Finn-Bowers

Staff Present: Community Development Director Kari Zook, City Manager Ron Marsh

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Sawyer to approve the agenda, seconded by Commission Pugh. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

4. Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Mead to approve the February 1, 2022 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Sawyer. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

Business

5. Introduction of new Planning Commissioners Matt Mead and Diana Miller

6. RHID/Highlands Development

City Manager Ron Marsh was present to discuss the RHID (Rural Housing Incentive District) process. That public hearing is scheduled for March 21, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. in the Library. Updates were also shared regarding the name change from Highlands to Golden Belt Heights. The walls were removed on both the east and west sides of the development. The consultant agreement with Heartland Housing Partners was approved at the City Commission meeting on February 28, 2022. There will be a website developed that will include any information the public may request regarding the housing development.

7. Planning Commission Comments and Staff Updates

City staff are exploring training opportunities for the Planning Commission members. More information to be released when available.

A variance application has been submitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals. The public hearing for that application is scheduled for April 5, 2022.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Boyd to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion carried unanimously 6-0.

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Brenda Finn-Bowers, Vice Chair

ATTEST:

Kari Zook

Community Development Director