



Abilene Planning Commission Minutes
Abilene Public Library
209 NW 4th St., Abilene, KS
February 2, 2021 @ 4:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order by Chair Sawyer

2. Roll Call – Planning Commissioners Present: Rod Boyd, Bill Marshall, Jeffrey Higgins, Vice Chair Brenda Finn-Bowers, Chair Travis Sawyer

Staff Present: City Manager Jane Foltz, Planning & Zoning Administrator Kari Zook

3. Approval of Agenda

City Manager Foltz noted an amendment to the agenda. An update with the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan will be added to the Business section. Motion by Commissioner Finn-Bowers to approve the amended agenda to add the NRP update to 6a, seconded by Commissioner Marshall. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

4. Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Marshall to approve the November 4, 2020 minutes, seconded by Commissioner Boyd. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Business

5. Annual election of Chair and Vice Chair

Motion by Chair Sawyer to elect Commissioner Finn-Bowers to Chair, seconded by Commissioner Boyd. Motion carried unanimously 5-0. Chairman duties transferred to Finn-Bowers moving forward. Motion by Commissioner Sawyer to elect Commissioner Marshall to Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Boyd. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

Introduction of new Commissioner, Jeffrey Higgins.

6. Updated Planning Commission Bylaws

Motion by Commissioner Sawyer to approve the Planning Commission Bylaws as written, seconded by Commissioner Boyd. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.

6a. Neighborhood Revitalization Plan update

Staff has been updating the NRP to combine all three district plans into one. All past plans and Interlocal Agreement with Dickinson County and USD 435 did sunset on December 31, 2020. No district boundaries have been amended, this is just a consolidation to include the North, Central, and Downtown districts in one plan. The plan will be presented for approval to the City Commission on February 22, 2021.

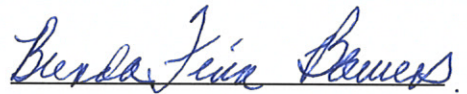
7. Planning Commission Comments and Staff Updates

Planning Commission is still looking to fill two vacant positions.

Interim City Manager: Marcus Rothchild, Finance Director, will be filling the interim position during the transition phase.

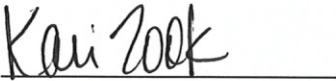
8. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Sawyer to adjourn, seconded by Vice Chair Marshall. Motion carried unanimously 5-0.



Brenda Finn-Bowers, Chair
Bill Marshall, Vice Chair

ATTEST:



Kari Zook
Planning & Zoning Administrator