

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CLEVELAND PLANNING COMMISSION

Thursday March 16, 2023

Members present: Jordan Goins, David Griffith, John Aguzzi, Brenett Haynes, John Cox via phone

Members not present: Robert Heslep, Edwin Montgomery

Ex-officio members present: Billy Trotter, Katie Portner McClellan, Connie McClellan, Greg Jackson

Chair John Aguzzi called the meeting to order at 4:00 P.M.

Approval of previous meeting minutes

After a review of the minutes of the February 2023 meeting, David Griffith made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jordan Goins seconded the motion. The vote was "aye" with no opposition.

New Business

Wesley Smith submitted an application for a special exception to Article 6, Section 617 of the Land Development Ordinance to allow a church at 522 Third Street. The B3 zoning district allows a church only by special exception. The building has been renovated with a firewall between the front section and the back section. The church will meet on Sunday mornings at 10:30, and the members will be allowed to use the parking at Specialty Glass if needed. Brenett Haynes made a motion to approve the application for advertisement and send to the board for approval. David Griffith seconded the motion, and the vote was all in favor.

Old Business

The Planning Commission returned to the nomination of candidates to fill the position left vacant by Ajax Morris. In the March meeting several candidates were discussed, but the nominations were tabled in order to check the residences of the candidates. Mayor Nowell requested a physical address on all commission members to determine if all wards were represented on the Planning Commission. It was determined that Wards 2 and 5 lacked representation. Ted Blockett, one of the candidates, was present at the meeting, and answered questions from commission members. It was determined that the ward he would represent already had two members on the commission.

David Griffith made a motion to amend the agenda to nominate a candidate to fill the unexpired term of Mickey Thompson from Ward 5. Brenett Haynes seconded the motion, and the vote was all in favor.

David Griffith made a motion to nominate Lisa Cooley to fill the unexpired term of Mickey Thompson in Ward 5, pending board approval. Jordan Goins seconded the motion and all members voted in favor of the motion.

David Griffith made a motion to allow Robert Sanders to nominate a candidate to represent Ward 2 on the commission, and Jordan Goins seconded the motion. The vote was all in favor of the motion.

Reports

Greg Jackson gave a report on the new Harbor Freight located in the shopping center on South Street and on McAllisters Restaurant which will be located at Sunflower Road and Chrisman Avenue.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John Aguzzi", is written over a horizontal line.

John Aguzzi, Chair