

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF JORDAN
IN THE COUNTY OF SCOTT
DECEMBER 11, 2018**

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Present: Jane Bohlman, Jesse Masloski, Tom Sand, Sally Schultz, Robert Whipps, Jeff Will
Also Present: Addison Lewis, Planner/Economic Development Specialist, Lucinda Meyers,
Planner

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm.

2.0 ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Whipps, second by Bohlman, to approve agenda. Vote all ayes. Motion Approved.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. November 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Schultz, second by Whipps, to approve minutes as presented. Vote all ayes. Motion Approved.

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

A. Application for Planning Commission Vacancy – Tom Sand

The commission interviewed Commissioner Sand for another three-year term. Whipps asked Sand why he is seeking another term. Sand indicates he enjoys the role, acknowledges the progress made by the commission and the city, notes that he likes working with the other commissioners and staff. Whipps asked if he has any ideas on how to improve the commission. Sand indicates that he does not; believes the meetings are run efficiently.

Motion by Bohlman to recommend the reappointment of commissioner Sand, second by Whipps. Vote all ayes. Motion Approved.

B. Application for Planning Commission Vacancy – Robert Bergquist

The commission interviewed Robert Bergquist for the vacant seat left by the departure of Toni Walsh. Bergquist explained that he has lived in Jordan for twenty years and enjoys the quiet and friendliness and would like to maintain those aspects of the community. Bergquist stated that he has a strong understanding of policy and procedures which is informed by his professional background. Bergquist works in customer service management for a small company in

Bloomington. He would like to see more businesses and local amenities. One of his favorite activities to partake in as a resident is walking throughout town.

Motion Schultz to recommend appointment of Bergquist to the commission. Second Bohlman. Vote all ayes. Motion Approved.

C. Planning Commission Annual Report 2018

Planner Lewis presents an overview of the 2018 annual report.

Motion Schultz to approve the report. Second by Bohlman. Vote all ayes. Motion Approved.

5.0 OLD BUSINESS

6.0 PLANNERS REPORT

7.0 CITY COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATE

Commissioner Whipps commented that the 2019 budget has been finalized and is available on the city website for review. He noted that the council selected an interchange design for 169/282/9, that is also supported by the other two agencies involved in the process. He stated that MnDOT and Scott County were not supportive of all of the concepts developed, and that he did not believe that the concepts should be reviewed by the commissions at this point.

Commissioner Will stated that he believes that two of the interchange concepts should have been presented to the Planning Commission and EDA. He indicated he had requested they be added to the planning commission agenda the afternoon of Friday, December 7 but that request was denied by the City Administrator. Will stated that he believes the commissions should view the options and the sign ordinance. Will is trying to make Jordan more business friendly, but believes that his concerns, as well as those of the planning commission, are irrelevant to the council.

8.0 COMMISSION MEMBER REPORT

Bohlman added to the sentiments of Will, stating that she doesn't believe that the council values her input on the interchange. Bohlman noted that she is uninformed of the design options for the interchange.

Will commented that he recalls a time when there was an exodus of planning commission members as a result of perceived disrespect by the council.

Chair Sand asserted that the commission's function is to advise the council. Sand stated that the commission has not been involved in the interchange design process. If the council does not want the advice of the commission, it is not the business of the commission to provide them with it.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Bohlman to adjourn. Second by Schultz. Vote all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.

Tanya Velishek
Mayor

ATTEST:

Tom Nikunen
City Administrator