# Hillsboro Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes V23-03

December 18, 2023 – Meeting - 5:30 p.m. Old Firehouse 108 Governor Trimble Place

## HILLSBORO PLANNING COMMISSION

### CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 p.m. Chair Bill Sims called the Hillsboro Planning Commission Public Hearing to order.

#### ROLL CALL

The following were present for the meeting: Bill Sims; Chair, Amy Davis, Rob Holt, SSD Brianne Abbott, Todd Heskett and Paul Worley. Mayor Justin Harsha was absent. Also in attendance were Clerk; Whitney Aliff, Council President Tom Eichinger, Public Works Superintendent Shawn Adkins, Property Owner Mark Crowe and two representatives from Abbott Image Solutions.

## **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was met.

**V23-03** – 128 North High Street Signage

**DISCUSSION:** Chair Bill Sims requested a representative from the application share information from the application. Abbott Image Solutions Representative Doug Conrad shared the company is seeking approval of a new panel to replace rotted wood near the entrance to the right of the door on North High Street. Bill Sims noted a variance was recently given for the signage located at 128 North High Street to allow additional square footage on a wall sign. Mr. Conrad read the sign definition from the zoning code. Mr. Conrad also shared the panel is a display and is visible from the right of way but does not have any intention to be utilized as any advertisement. Property owner Mark Crowe wished to explain to members of planning commission the panel is only for decorative display. Planning Commission members discussed the application in depth. Rob Holt and Paul Worley agreed the panel should not be considered a sign. Rob Holt noted section 155.129 (L) of the Hillsboro Zoning Code which references signs not requiring a permit. Mr. Holt directed planning commission members to review Zoning Code chapter 155.126 (C)(2). Brianne Abbott noted additional permitting may be required through the building department. Bill Sims shared a vote will not be called for as the variance is not needed due to the commission determining the panel is not a sign.

**MOTION** At 5:41 pm Paul Worley moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Sims. The next meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for 5:30 pm on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 108 Governor Trimble Place, Old Firehouse.

J Bill Sims, Chair

Whitney Aliff, Clerk