

**Hillsboro Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes**

**April 21, 2025 – Meeting - 5:30 p.m.**

**City Hall – 130 North High Street**

Alley Vacation (Belfast Pike) Behind #25-54-001-045.00

Alley Vacation (Trenton St) 25-54-001-045.00

Application for Conditional Use (CUP2025-01)

Application for Variance (25-V-01)

**HILLSBORO PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

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

**ROLL CALL**

The following were present for the meeting: Chair; Rob Holt, Bill Sims, Safety & Service Director, Brianne Abbott & Mayor Justin Harsha. Also in attendance were Clerk; Megan Blackburn, Council President Tom Eichinger, Public Works Superintendent Shawn Adkins, Code Enforcement Official Seth Brose, Steve Wilkin, Dana Durkin, Freda Harewood, Leafee Beery, Joseph Dussault, Rhonda Williams (Mottie), Teresa Williams, Randall Sanders, Clay Sturts, Thom Gilman, Chester Waters & Abigail Hagen.

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

A quorum was met.

**Alley Vacation** (Belfast Pike) Behind #25-54-001-045.00

**DISCUSSION:** Chair Rob Holt asked applicant of alley vacation for any purpose of the vacation. Chester Waters spoke as to he has a parcel that is separated his two parcels & would like to obtain the land of the alley to connect the two parcels so if he wants to add on to his house/garage he could do so. Chair Rob Holt asked if there were any other comments. No comments.

**Alley Vacation** (Trenton St) 25-54-001-045.00

**DISCUSSION:** Dana Durkin spoke that with the location of her property there is a light pole in the backyard & AEP cannot access the pole. The property that will share the alley has a house that they don't live in & it has debris & junk in there & she wants it cleaned out for better access & to make it look nice. Bill Sims asked if anyone else would like to speak as to this issue. No comments.

**Application for Conditional Use (CUP2025-01)**

**DISCUSSION:** Thom Gilman spoke on behalf of LIND Media in length as to the billboard on West Main Street & converting it to a digital billboard. He listed multiple local business that are in favor of the digital billboard & want to advertise. Chair Rob Holt asked if there were any other comments or questions as to changing the billboard to electronic from the public. No comments.

**Application for Variance (25-V-01)**

**DISCUSSION:** Joseph Dussault spoke as to store frontage & if that is how the calculation was used for sign purposes. Chair Rob Holt explained it is the linear frontage, the property lines that is used from the Auditor site. Mr. Dussault stated that his sign is already made & would bring a lot to the Historical part of the City with the type of font that is used.

**MOTION** At 5:42 pm Justin Harsha moved to adjourn, seconded by Bill Sims. The next meeting of the Planning Commission is scheduled for 5:30 pm on Monday, May 19, 2025 at 130 North High Street, City Hall.

\_\_\_\_\_ Rob Holt, Chair

\_\_\_\_\_ Megan Blackburn, Clerk