

MINUTES
WALTON PLAN COMMISSION
Monday August 2, 2010

President, Mac Martin called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Walton Town Hall, 100 S. Depot.

ROLL CALL:

Members present: Mac Martin, Rick Lee, Dick Case, Becky Tocco, Carol Dutchess, Patti Raderstorf, Arlan Bookwalter, Mike Robison and Mike Dutchess.

Member absent: None.

Staff present: Stan Williams and James Knight, attorney.

Public in attendance: None.

ACTION ON MINUTES:

Minutes of June 7, 2010 were approved as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING:

#10-02 Unsafe Building Ordinance:

Stan Williams explained that James Knight, attorney, will present the Unsafe Building ordinance.

Mr. Knight stated that he has researched the Unsafe Building Law through the Indiana Law and recommends the following:

1. In section 1, instead of siting section 367.9 section, make it 367-9-1 sequence.
2. Section 3,
3. Section 5, state the Walton Plan Commission is hereby designated the hearing authority for the implementation of this ordinance relating to health and zoning issues.
4. Change any typing errors.

Mr. Knight stated that if the property owner does not clean up the property, a fine may be imposed. Mr. Knight stated that if this fine is not paid, it may be certified, recorded and a lien may be put on the property.

Mr. Knight also stated that an unsafe fund would be established, the Walton Plan Commission may hire the clean up and charge the property owner.

Mr. Knight gave a brief outline of the process:

1. Walton Plan Commission review the site and if recommended, send a certified letter to property owner from Zoning Administrator requesting a plan of remediation.
2. If the property is not cleaned and secured, the Walton Plan Commission may move forward with a clean up and/or fine.
3. If this is not paid by property owner, impose a lien on the property.

Carol Dutchess made a motion to send a favorable recommendation to the Walton Town Board for this Unsafe Building ordinance. Motion was seconded and roll call vote was unanimous to approve.

REPORTS:

ILP:

There were no improvement location permits to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

None:

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

There was no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 PM August 2, 2010.

Mac Martin, President

Becky Tocco, Secretary

Peggy Dillon, Recording Secretary