

GARFIELD COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES September 12, 2017

The Garfield County Planning Commission called the September 12, 2017 meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Roll call was taken of the members present were: Lex Jeffres, Debbie Ballagh, Bub Chaffin, Barry Burnham, Scott Thoene, Maureen Sartain, Sandra Lowery, and Anne Freeman; members absent: Bill Ziegler. Also present: current Administrator, Sheri Goodrich and Administrator in training Kali Swett.

Verification was offered of the publication of the meeting notice. The Open Meetings Act was verified to be posted in the conference room.

Old Business: After review of the minutes, Lowery made a motion to approve the minutes from May 3, 2017; seconded by Burnham. Motion carried.

New Business: The latest permits were offered for review

Administrator Goodrich announced that Kali Swett is the newly appointed administrator.

Chairperson Jeffres excused himself and requested Vice Chair Freeman conduct the open meeting due to conflict of interest. Freeman called the Public Hearing to order at 7:15. Elmer Barrett presented an intended use of a firing range of pistol and potential rifle on his property. Mr. Barrett is ATF approved for gun-smithing and sales. He is also a Hunter Safety Instructor. Elmer answered questions on types of targets and distances from said areas. Adjacent property owner, Lin Jeffres, offered his testimony stating concerns and overall monitoring and safety of the firing range. Judy Newlin, offered her input on the firing range. The public hearing meeting was closed at 8:10. A motion made by Burnham to present the Conditional Use Permit to the Board of Commissioners with the following conditions: the duration of permit will cease upon change of ownership or management of the firing range, the new applicant at that time will have to possess verification of some credentials, the firing range would be for pistol use only under commercial use, the hours of operation would be limited to an hour after sunrise and an hour before sunset, and to offer respectful consideration to observe no shooting on Sundays until after 12 noon. The roll call vote is as follows: 2 absent, 4 abstain, and 3 yes.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 14th, 2017 at 7 p.m.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was offered by Thoene and seconded by Sartain. Motion passed unanimously; meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by

Kali Swett
Planning, Zoning & Flood Administrator for Garfield County