Cold Spring Planning & Zoning December 9, 2009

The regular meeting of the Cold Spring Planning and Zoning Commission was called to order by Chairman Stephen Taylor. Pledge to the flag was recited. The roll call showed the following present – Roger Bay, Dave Guidugli, Alan McCullough, Tom Ross, Donna Schmidt, Vince Sticklen and Stephen Taylor. Also present were City Clerk Rita Seger and Administrative Officer Michael Vank.

Steve Taylor pointed out the exits from the building, per Fire Department regulations.

The November 11, 2009 regular meeting minutes were reviewed by all. Vince Sticklen made a motion for approval and Roger Bay seconded motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Taylor stated that he signed a final plat for Granite Spring, Section 18. Alan McCullough made a motion to approve this signing and Roger Bay seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

There were no public hearings scheduled for this meeting.

Steve Taylor stated that a nominating committee of three Planning & Zoning members is needed to appoint officers for 2010. According to the by-laws, the current officers cannot be appointed to this nominating committee. Dave Guidugli, Vince Sticklen and Alan McCullough all volunteered to be on this nominating committee. Recommendations are to be submitted at the January 13, 2010 meeting.

Along that line, Steve Taylor stated that he has received a resignation letter from Planning & Zoning member Roger Bay. Mr. Taylor thanked Mr. Bay for his long time service and work on this Board. The January 13, 2010 meeting will be his last meeting. Mr. Bay received a round of applause from the Board Members.

Per House Bill 55, Planning and Zoning member Dave Guidugli earned four (4) hours of continuing education credits, Board of Adjustment member Tom Freppon received two and a half (2.5) hours of continuing education credits, and Board of Adjustment member William Hagedorn earned three and three fourths (3 ¾) hours of continuing education credits. Vince Sticklen made a motion for approval and Alan McCullough seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Dave Guidugli stated that we are going to be looking at some possible annexation areas in the city. The city clerk has a map showing these areas. Mr. Guidugli and Steve Taylor have already looked over this map, and he invites other board members to stop in the office or give him a call and he can go over the map with them.

Steve Taylor stated that, as we go forward especially in our talks about doing the Comprehensive Plan, one of the objectives is that if you look at a map of the city there are pockets within the area that are still under the county. People within those borders obviously receive some of the city benefits but are not paying for them. Even though some of these areas are in the county, it is our police officers who are usually the first responders. Also, it would make managing the city much easier if it was all in one land mass. Mr. Taylor stated that this project has been off and on for over three years, and we are going to try to move it forward within the next year or two. We can make recommendations to council to approach those groups or land masses and see what they can work out with them.

Vince Sticklen verified with Mr. Guidugli and Mr. Taylor that this will be looked at by the entire board and we do not need to appoint an annexation committee.

Donna Schmidt questioned if there were key spots that we can target right away, like the corridor along US 27. Steve Taylor stated that the maps are color coded so they can be pinpointed right away.

A brief discussion followed about pros and cons of annexing certain areas into the city.

Rita Seger stated that she will bring the city map out for viewing at the completion of this meeting, and Steve Taylor stated that copies of this map will be made for all of the Board members.

Mr. Sticklen questioned the need for a public hearing for the Comprehensive Plan. Steve Taylor stated that this does not have to be held until September of next year. He will be getting together with NKAPC and open contract talks with them. They have to update the census data and we will have to re-adopt the goals and objectives, council has to accept that, and then we will have to re-publish the plan. We can have a public hearing to discuss it and have a public hearing to adopt it at the same time.

Vince Sticklen made a motion to adjourn the December 9th meeting and Steve Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita Seger, City Clerk