

Athens City Planning Commission  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Thursday, May 2, 2019, 12:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Athens City Planning Commission was held in City Council Chambers, third floor, at City Hall on May 2, 2019.

Attendees: Mark Weidner and Jon Stevison

**1. Call to Order**

PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS:

RJ Sumney, Chair.....Present  
Christy Zempfer.....Present  
Nancy Bain, Vice Chair.....Present  
Steve Patterson, Mayor.....Present  
Andrew Stone, Service-Safety Director.....Absent

STAFF:

Paul Logue, City Planner.....Present  
Lance Allison, Interim Code Enforcement Director.....Present

**2. Disposition of April 18, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Nancy Bain moved to accept the minutes as submitted to the Planning Commission. RJ Sumney seconded the motion. All members present voted to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved.

**3. Cases**

None

**4. Communications**

**3 Cook Drive PUD**—Mark Weidner introduced himself. He is the owner of real estate at 3 Cook Drive on the far east side of Athens. He is proposing a 6-unit townhouse style rental Planned Unit Development concept. Some initial site plans were provided to the commissioners. All 6 units would be held by Weidner as rental properties. Member Bain expressed interest in seeing this project move

forward and she recommended that Weidner consider the back acreage be rezoned or deed restricted as open space.

Mr. Weidner asked about floodplain development standards. Planner Logue said he would have to look into this in more detail after the meeting but he did not think there should be any complications with at this site.

Ms. Bain asked for more details from city staff regarding water and sewer capacity at this location.

Mr. Allison and Mr. Logue discussed the PUD process in Chapter 21 of city code. There is a 14 day public notice requirement to all owners with 500 feet of the site so a preliminary hearing would likely need to occur at the first meeting in June.

#### **5. Report from City Planner and Director DEF**

Logue reported that comp plan draft is moving forward and expects a draft document in the next month or so. He also reported that May is National Bike Month and the city is participating in the National Bike to Work Day on Friday May 17. Some press releases and additional information will be out soon.

Mr. Allison reported that the annual spring semester move-out of Ohio University students has started. The code office ready for trash/litter issues next week as landlords begin fixes and repairs to vacant units.

#### **6. Opportunity for citizens to speak about issues not covered on agenda**

None

#### **7. Announcements and Other Business**

- Mayor Patterson reported that he and planner Logue as well as other city staff members participated in the annual Athens High School career day earlier this week. He and Logue discussed their careers in public service and city planning.
- Next meeting is May 16, 2019

#### **8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25PM.

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RJ Sumney, Planning Commission

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Paul Logue, City of Athens