

CITY OF DUQUESNE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES

Date: 13 August 2012

Time called to order: 6:02 PM by Chairman Ray Brown.

Roll Call: **Present:** Chairman Ray Brown, Vice-Chairman/Secretary Ken Ayton, Dale Daniels, Roland Harmon, Cathy Hudson, Gary Jackson, Gerald Keller, Bryan Low, Steve Reese and Denny White. **Absent:** Russell Fleetwood.

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Steve Reese to approve the agenda as printed. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Bryan Low to accept the minutes as written. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Steve Reese to begin the Public Hearing session (6:06 PM), to discuss the proposed ordinance to modify non-conforming land uses (specifically Bill No.12-11). Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

- Mike Talley, city attorney, was called upon to explain the proposed ordinance;
- Debra Giddens, 3838 E16th Street, spoke in opposition of the proposed ordinance modification and in favor of keeping the larger lots and keeping the neighborhood as it was before the tornado of 5-22-11. She specifically was concerned about maintaining property values;
- Arnold Terry, 1705 Melissa Terry Lane, spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance modification, stating that he felt that property values would be increased and would improve the neighborhood;
- Gary Heilbrun, 4015 E25th Street, requested the bill number for the ordinance modification;

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Steve Reese to close the Public Hearing session (6:24 PM). Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

Chairman Brown invited the public to address the commission on other issues:

- David Kifer, 4216 E20th Street, informed the commission that his property is being cleaned up and that he was not building back on that property.

**A motion was made** by Steve Reese and seconded by Denny White to recommend to the city council to pass Bill No. 12-11, an ordinance amending Title IV: Land Use, Chapter 404:

Zoning Regulations, Section 404.050: Non-Conforming Uses. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Reese and White. Nays: Low.

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Ken Ayton for the commission to meet on Monday, Sept 10, 2012 at 6:00 PM for a Public Hearing for consideration of a lot split request and rezoning, rather than on Monday, Sept 3, 2012, which is the Labor Day holiday. In addition, the motion included another commission meeting to be scheduled for Monday, Sept 17, 2012 at 7:00 PM regarding comprehensive city planning maps. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

**A motion was made** by Denny White and seconded by Dale Daniels to adjourn. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Daniels, Harmon, Hudson, Jackson, Keller, Low, Reese and White. Nays: None.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary, Ken Ayton