

CITY OF DUQUESNE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES (and work Session)

Date: 3 June 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 P.M. by Chairman Ray Brown.

Roll Call: **Present:** President Ray Brown, Vice-President/Secretary Ken Ayton, Cathy Hudson, Gary Jackson, Gerald Keller, George Reeve, **Absent:** Russell Fleetwood, Roland Harmon, Bryan Low, Denny White.

**A motion was made** by George Reeve and seconded by Cathy Hudson to accept the agenda as written. Ayes: Brown, Ayton, Hudson, Jackson, Keller and Reeve. Nays: None. The motion was passed.

**A motion was made** by George Reeve and seconded by Cathy Hudson to accept the minutes of May 6, 2013 as written. Ayes. Brown, Ayton, Hudson, Jackson, Keller and Reeve. Nays: None. The motion was passed.

The agenda item for Weerayuth Juneweeranong: Lot Split Suspension in EDR Area was tabled and not discussed due to the absence of anyone present to speak about the item and the lack of information to the commission regarding the item.

**A motion was made** by Ken Ayton and seconded by Gary Jackson to have Ray Brown, President, contact the City Clerk, Terry Ingram, to set up a public hearing as soon as possible to get input from the public regarding **Community Aspirations** in accordance with the “Listening To The Public” component of the comprehensive plan. Ayes. Brown, Ayton, Hudson, Jackson, Keller and Reeve. Nays: None. The motion was passed.

There were several comments from the public regarding lot splits:

- Barbara Welch, 1595 Kimberly Lane, spoke in opposition to split lots, saying that this practice is not fair to people who had one house on a lot next to them before the tornado and now might have two houses on a lot next to them.
- Carla Arnold, 4025 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke in opposition to splitting lots that were meant to be one lot originally.
- Roger Bone, 2501 Freeport Drive, spoke in opposition to having developers come in and split lots.
- Roger Sapp, 4410 East 25<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke in opposition to lot splitting, citing his experience of surviving the tornado and re-building with the expectation that all lots would remain the same as they were before the tornado.
- Gary Heilbrun, 4015 East 25<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke in opposition to split lots.
- Lisa Daugherty, 4230 East 24<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke in opposition to splitting lots, stating that it is the lot size that is the issue and not the size of the house. She also asserted that lot split requests do not come before the city council.

Other comments from the public:

- Roger Sapp, 4410 East 25<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke regarding ditches overflowing due to some ditches have been filled in after the tornado and therefore are not draining properly or are overflowing. It was noted that this was an issue to take up with the city council.
- Gerald Keller, commission member, spoke about a continuing odor issue. It was noted that this was also an issue to take up before the city council.

**A motion was made** by George Reeve and seconded by Cathy Hudson to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 P.M. Ayes. Brown, Ayton, Hudson, Jackson, Keller and Reeve. Nays: None. The motion was passed.

The next regular meeting of the Planning & Zoning Commission is scheduled for Monday, July 1, at 7:00 P.M. (depending on when a public hearing is scheduled).

Respectfully submitted, Ken Ayton, Secretary.