

Regular meeting of the City of Downs Planning Commission was held May 31, 2016, 5:30 p.m. at city hall. Members present: Don Heiland, Tim Parker, Evan Joy, Kabin Henke, Jaime Emerson, Chelsi Remus, Linda Miller. Also in attendance: Mayor Jennifer Brush, City Attorney Bruce Berkley, Duane Miller, Kathy Miller, Brian Sharp, Vickie Oviatt.

Vice Chairman Tim Parker called the meeting to order.

Don moved, seconded by Jaime, to approve the minutes of the April 25, 2016 meeting as submitted. Carried.

New business was electing a chairman. Tim opened the floor for nominations. Evan nominated Tim for chairman. Tim declined, and the nomination died for lack of a second. Jaime nominated Don for chairman. Evan seconded the motion. Motion carried. Linda moved the nominations cease. Evan seconded. Carried.

Linda nominated Tim as Vice-Chairman. Jaime seconded. Carried.

Don, newly elected Chairman, called the scheduled public hearing to order for the purpose of considering two changes in the Zoning regulations and one amendment to the Zoning map in regard to the recently annexed property; and also to consider the allowing commercial recreation facilities in the I-2 Heavy Industrial District.

Don asked for any public comment or questions. Duane Miller, Miller Welding business and property owner, noted that the map proposed that their property at Miller Welding be zoned Heavy Industrial. He asked that the north end of this property be zoned Agricultural. He has farm animals in this area.

Brian Sharp, property owner, asked for clarification on the purposes and intent of the A-L Agriculture District. Bruce read the sections included in the A-L District.

Following discussion, Don asked for any additional comment. There were no further comments.

Tim moved, seconded by Jaime, to accept the map and boundaries as proposed except change the north half of Miller Welding to A-L District. Evan asked about the cemetery. Following discussion, motion carried unanimously.

Dalton Remus had requested at the last meeting that Recreation/Fitness Centers be allowed in an I-2 zone. There was no public comment. Linda moved, seconded by Kabin, to change the zoning and add Section 30.1 Commercial Recreation Facilities to the I-2 Heavy Industrial District. Carried unanimously.

Don declared the public hearing closed.

Jaime moved, seconded by Kabin, to adjourn the meeting. Carried. Meeting adjourned.

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Vickie Oviatt  
DPC Secretary