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The Menard County Planning Commission met on Thursday, October 6, at 7:00 p.m., at the Menard County Courthouse, Petersburg, Illinois. Planning Commission members Rodney Riech, Terry Entwistle, Ed Blair, Julie Wankel, John Dixon, John Greenan II and Mark Churchill were present. Dennis Kunken was absent. One seat was vacant with Carolyn Greer having moved. A quorum was present. Zoning Administrator Brian Hollenkamp and Assessor Jason LeMar were also present. Menard County Zoning Administrator Brian Hollenkamp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the April 14, 2015 meeting were presented for approval. Planning Commission member Entwistle moved to approve the minutes, as presented. Planning Commission member Greenan seconded the motion. The motion carried with seven “ayes”, no “nays”, one “absent” and one “vacant”.

As former chairperson Kiningham resigned since the last meeting, there was a need to nominate a new chairperson. A motion was made by Terry Entwistle to nominate Rodney Riech chairperson. The motion was seconded by Julie Wankel. The motion carried with seven “ayes”, no “nays”, one “absent” and one “vacant”.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC HEARING: MENARD COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN**

The Planning Commission is to make a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners whether to adopt the revised version of the Comprehensive Plan. The public hearing was opened at 7:05 for comments and considerations.

Administrator Hollenkamp gave a brief overview of the changes to the Comprehensive Plan. Menard County Farm Bureau member Kyle Winkelmann was present. He asked for some clarification about some of the changes. A brief discussion followed.

As there were no other public comments, Planning Commission member Wankel moved to recommend adoption of the Comprehensive Plan as presented. Planning Commission member Greenan seconded the motion. The motion carried with seven “ayes”, no “nays”, one “absent” and one “vacant”.

### **Unscheduled Public Comments/Requests**

There were no unscheduled public comments.

### **Zoning Administrator’s Report**

There was no Zoning Administrator report.

### **Discussion and Advancement of Newly Created Digital Zoning Layer**

Mr. LeMar informed the Commission that current maps used for zoning are old paper maps that did not use parcels as a base. He stated that a digital zoning map has been created based on those maps and is used in the zoning office as reference only. He would like to see the digital version be released for public use, but this can only happen after a public review

and comment period. He asked the commission if this was an action that they would like the zoning office to take. After a bit of discussion they agreed that getting the digital map approved for official use would be helpful.

### **Individual Planning Commission Member Comments**

There were no member comments

### **Adjournment**

As no other business was brought before the Planning Commission, Planning Commission member Riech moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Planning Commission member Entwistle seconded the motion. The motion carried with seven "ayes", no "nays", one "absent" and one "vacant".