

Town of Elba  
Planning Commission Meeting  
December 8, 2014

A meeting of the Town of Elba Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Joe Marsik at 7:00pm on December 8, 2014. Members present were Jerry Gaska, Chuck Kaschub and Dennis Ball. Al Link was excused. The hearing was published in the Columbus Journal, and posted at Duffy Grain, Columbus Countryside Vet, and at the Town Hall. 9 members of the public were in attendance.

The agenda was presented. Jerry Gaska moved to adopt the agenda. Chuck Kaschub seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joe Marsik opened the Public Hearing regarding Amendments to the Zoning ordinance regarding the siting, construction and collocation of Mobile Service Facilities and Support Structures, Wind energy systems and farmland preservation zoning including rezoning of property located in Section 6 from A-1 Farmland Preservation to A-2 General Agricultural and explained that the Amendments to the zoning ordinance were needed because the state laws changed regarding mobile, wind energy and telecommunications towers and most of the power for siting and regulation is now in the hands of the State.

Joe Marsik opened up the hearing to the public. Questions were asked and answered. Discussion ensued as to what could and could not be included in the amendments such as health issues and property values. Mr. Marsik explained that the only things that Towns can regulate are damage to the roads. Mr. Marsik asked if there were any other questions then closed the public hearing. Mr. Marsik then opened up questions for the commission and explained Exhibit B which was a rezoning for a small parcel in Section 6 from Farmland Preservation to General Agricultural in order to keep the Town in the Farmland Preservation program. Chuck Kaschub noted that the rezoning in Section 6 was near his land. Jerry Gaska moved to recommend the adoption of the Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding the siting, construction and collocation of Mobile Service Facilities and Support Structures, wind energy systems and farmland preservation zoning in Section 6. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Joe Marsik explained the reasons for updating the Town of Elba Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use map and that by changing the future land use map, we are not rezoning. Mr. Marsik opened up the hearing to the public. Questions were asked and answered. Discussion ensued about the map. Mr. Marsik asked if there were any other questions then closed the public hearing. Jerry Gaska moved to recommend to the Town Board to adopt the updates to the Town of Elba Comprehensive Plan and Map changing the date to 2040. Chuck Kaschub seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Dennis Ball moved to adjourn. Chuck Kaschub seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:47pm..

Tracy Roche  
Clerk