

**CITY OF GENTRY
PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2019

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Gentry, Arkansas met on February 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for a regular meeting at the Gentry Court Chambers. Chairman Mike Parks called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Parks
Danny Feemster
Jim Kooistra
Wanda Meyer
Tammy Runyan
Jay Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Church

Others in Attendance: City Clerk Jenny Trout, City Attorney Joel Kurtz, Mark Smithson, Fred Tennant, Brian Hollenback, Kevin Browsers, Shelia Browsers, Randy moll, Mayor Kevin Johnston, Jason Barrett, Janice Arnold, Janie Parks, Teri Metz, Josh Kimberly, Steve Smith, Jason Barrett, Kristi Reams, Teresa McFadden and others.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Roll Call: Feemster-yes Meyer-yes Runyan-yes Kooistra- yes Williams-yes
Church-absent

Minutes of the January 17, 2019 Regular Meeting:

To approve the minutes with Amendment-

Motion: Meyer- To amend the minutes to reflect the addressed rezoning for Double R Corporation from R1 to R3.

Second: Kooistra

Roll Call: Feemster-yes Meyer-yes Runyan-yes Williams-yes Kooistra-pass

Motion Passed.

Rezone for Double R Corporation- Petition for Rezoning

1. Rezone portions of Double R Corporation – Petition for rezoning

A Review of Double R Planning including amenities such as a play area, clubhouse and ample storage, as well as a parking area; on-site property management and maintenance. At this time Chairman Parks opened the floor to public discussion:

Kevin Browsers voiced concerns of a separation/partition between his commercial property and the property being considered for residential development.

Concerns of the highway traffic flow and safety being a major issue were voiced by many in attendance, as well as parking availability.

Attorney from Ft. Smith, Phil Milligan, spoke on behalf of 2 of his clients addressing and referencing the Municipal Code and Covenants pertaining to the property in question.

Mayor Kevin Johnston provided insight to many of the questions asked regarding the flow of traffic and how to improve that situation, which is a state matter, not a city matter, as well as questions related to the Municipal Code and Covenants brought to attention.

Motion: Kooistra- to recommend the proposed rezone from R1 to R3 be submitted to the Gentry City Council with possible emergency clause for review.

Second: Runyan

Roll Call: Feemster-yes Meyer-no Runyan-yes Williams-no Kooistra- yes

Motion passed with a 3 to 2 vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Ms. Robeson approached the Planning Commission about operating a Kennel as a home operation on their property. Currently having 15 dogs, 2 males and 13 females that are kept indoors during the night and are AKC Compliant. By rule Kennels do not meet specified requirements and are not allowed inside city limits. Ms. Robeson was advised they would need to relocate their dogs.

With no further business, Chairman Mike Parks entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Williams- to adjourn this meeting

Second: Meyer

Roll Call: Feemster-yes Meyer-yes Runyan-yes Williams-yes Kooistra-yes

Motion passed.

Jenny Trout: Planning Commission Secretary/City Clerk



Mike Parks, Planning Committee Chairman


