

Planning Commission Meeting  
November 28, 2023  
12:00 PM

The planning commission members met on the above date and time in the commission chambers of Herington City Hall. In attendance were Karen Soliz, Rhonda Rice, Janet Wade, Marcus Hawkes, City Manager Thatcher Moddie and Deputy City Clerk Chanda Wilson.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Marcus Hawkes called the meeting to order.

Consider Minutes of October 24, 2023, Regular Planning Commission Meeting. Janet Wade made a motion to accept the minutes, Rhonda Rice Seconded. The motion passed 4-0

Public Forum-None

Additional Agenda Items: Animal control issue? This should go before the city commission.

Janet Wade made a motion to approve the agenda. Rhonda Rice seconded; the motion passed 4-0.

Discussion of Members on Planning and Zoning Commission: A few members have resigned and will complete their term at the end of the year. Commission are looking at some potential new members to complete the 7 member board.

12:15 Cynthia Naylor arrives.

Thatcher Moddie introduced Brian Parrish as a proposed new member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Commission discussed and reviewed the application. Then they heard from Mr. Parrish. Janet Wade made a motion to approve the new member. Karen Soliz seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Commissioners discussed the proposed special meeting December 21, 12:00 PM for Variance Request. There was a group consensus to have the special meeting at said date and time as well as not scheduling a regular meeting in December.

Thatcher Moddie gave an update on setback ordinance. They want to include language to include cars, boats and abandoned vehicles. The city attorney hopes to have something for the commission to vote on in January.

The commission discussed the Comprehensive Plan. The city was able to hire professional consultants to help.

## Committee and Staff Reports

### DKCO Planning and Zoning- Karen

They are making a plan for a way to split agricultural land. Verizon wants a new tower. They are recommending additional lighting for old highway 40. Discussed how we could fast track getting a clinic back in Herington.

### Commissioner Comments

Karen Soliz-Likes the format of Dickinson plan committee. Might want to have a work session to prepare for the formal meeting so they go more smoothly and can move things along.

Janet Wade-None

Cynthia Naylor-None

Rhonda Rice-Likes Karen's suggestion and congratulations to Cynthia Naylor.

Marcus Hawkes-None

Cynthia made a motion to adjourn, Janet Wade seconded, the motion passed 5-0.