

The regular meeting of the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Platting Board was held on November 3, 2016, at the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly Chambers, 350 E. Dahlia Avenue, Palmer, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by the Chairman, Mr. Jay Van Diest.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (by Administrative Specialist)

Platting Board members present and establishing a quorum:

Mr. Jay Van Diest, District #1 (Chairman)
Mr. LaMarr Anderson, District #2
Mr. Stan Gillespie, District #3 (Excused Absence)
Mr. Jordan Rausa, District #4
Vacant, District #5
Mr. Patrick Johnson, District #6
Vacant, District #7
Mr. Marty Van Diest, Alternate 1
Mr. Gregory Pugh, Alternate 2

Staff in attendance:

Ms. Sloan Von Gunten, Administrative Specialist
Mr. Fred Wagner, Platting Officer
Ms. Peggy Horton, Platting Technician
Ms. Cheryl Scott, Platting Technician

B. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- The pledge of allegiance was led by Mr. Johnson.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The Chairman, Jay Van Diest inquired if there were any changes to the agenda.

GENERAL CONSENT: The agenda was approved with the changes with no objections.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chairman, Jay Van Diest inquired if there were any changes to the minutes.

GENERAL CONSENT: The minutes for October 20, 2016 were approved without objection.

3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Rausa Recused himself from Button-Bower.

A. BUTTON-BOWER – Title change to: B’s FAMILY ACRES

Sloan Von Gunten (Administrative Specialist)

- Stated that 43 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 12, 2016, to this date there have been 2 returns, no objections, no non-objections, and no concerns.

Cheryl Scott (Platting Technician)

- Gave an overview of the case.

Jay Van Diest (Chairman)

- Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward. Seeing no members of the public wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

Craig Hanson (Petitioner's Representative)

- Agrees with all the recommendations.

MOTION:

- Mr. Johnson moved to approve the preliminary plat for B’s Family Acres, seconded by Mr. Pugh.

VOTE:

- The motion passed with all in favor. There are 7 findings.

TIME: 1:12 P.M.

CD: 0:09:21

Mr. Rausa returned to his seat.

B. NEWBURY & E VALLEY CREST DRIVE VACATION

Sloan Von Gunten (Administrative Specialist)

- Stated that 10 public hearing notices were mailed out on October 12, 2016, to this date there have been no returns, no objections, 1 non-objection, and no concerns.

Cheryl Scott (Platting Technician)

- Gave an overview of the case.

Jay Van Diest (Chairman)

- Opened the public hearing and asked any members of the public wishing to speak to come forward. Seeing no members of the public wishing to speak, closed the public hearing.

Craig Hanson (Petitioner’s Representative)

- Explained the curve line on the plat and that the Newbury’s is fixing the PUE.

- Agrees with all the recommendations.

MOTION:

- Mr. Johnson moved to approve the vacation of a 50' wide public use easement recorded in Book 182 Page 44 and replace it with a 60' wide public use easement lying within Parcel 1-A & 1-B for Newbury E. Valley Crest Drive, seconded by Mr. Rausa. Modify Recommendation #4.

DISCUSSION:

- Discussion on PUE Road construction.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Modify #4: All cut & fill areas will be include within the right-of-way or a slope, construction and maintenance easement.

VOTE:

- The motion passed with all in favor. There are 9 findings.

TIME: 1:28 P.M.

CD: 0:25:12

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (*Three minutes per person, for items not scheduled for public hearing*)

5. ITEMS OF BUSINESS & MISCELLANEOUS

A. 2017 Meeting Schedule

MOTION:

- Mr. Rausa moved to approve the 2017 Meeting Schedule, seconded by Mr. Anderson

VOTE:

- The motion passed with all in favor.

TIME: 1:31 P.M.

CD: 0:28:25

Mr. Marty Van Diest Recused himself from Dewys Garden #5.

6. RECONSIDERATIONS/APPEALS

- Dewys Garden #5, Case 2016-2016-102/103

MOTION:

- Mr. Rausa moved to approve to hear the reconsideration for Dewys Garden #5 at the December 1, 2016, Platting Board hearing, seconded by Mr. Johnson.

VOTE:

- The motion passed with all in favor.

Mr. Marty Van Diest returned to his seat.

7. PLATTING STAFF & OFFICER COMMENTS

- There will be 6 cases to be heard at the next platting board meeting, which will be held in the meeting room of the Animal Shelter Building.
- The Platting Specialist updated the board on when the Planning Commission will be looking at Title 43 corrections and if there will be a joint meeting.
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8. BOARD COMMENTS

- Mr. Gillespie will not be at the next 3 meetings, as he will be out of state.
- Mr. Pugh will not be at the next meeting.
- Mr. Rausa asked about Recusing oneself from a case.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned: 01:57 P.M.

CD: 0:53:50



Sloan Von Gunten
Administrative Specialist



Jay Van Diest, Chairman