

Planning Commission Minutes
11/8/2011

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Role Call: Present – Laura Azevedo Jeney, Ron Saeger, Rob Dutcher, Tom Moore, Mark Cooney, Roxann Goss, Lance Jones, Jim Wailes. Absent – Rea Orthner
Also present, Tony Petersen

Review of Minutes – The 9/13/2011 minutes were approved with no changes

Old Business: Zoning Code Revision – Section 2.8 Animals

Tony Petersen opened the discussion with a brief history of recent efforts to revise the animal code. Petersen stated that the most recent revision recommended by the Planning Commission was rejected by the BOCC. Petersen explained the latest concept proposed by staff. As proposed, any number of animals of any type would be allowed on all lands with the exception of game animals and swine on RS lands. Also, as proposed, mandatory mediation would be required in cases where neighbor complaints are lodged against livestock keepers on RS lands. Mediation would result in either no action or in the need to implement a Livestock Impact Mitigation Plan depending on the mediation board's findings. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Cooney suggested that mandatory mediation be extended to RR zoned lands. Commissioner Moore countered with an alternative that would start with RS zones and extend to RR zones if a need presented itself. Commissioner Jones spoke in favor of including RR lands now as opposed to later citing an unfavorable public perception of incremental growth of regulation. It was decided to include only RS zones.

Additional discussion items were presented by Chairwomen Jeney. Questions concerning the formation and the administration of the proposed mediation board were raised. Petersen stated the BOCC would address those issues if and when the proposed revisions were approved. Jeney also suggested that all swine not be prohibited from RS lands. It was decided that all swine would be prohibited unless classified "indoor pets". It was suggested the word defecate be removed from indoor pet to accommodate pet pigs. Jeney also stated an objection to the LIMP acronym in the proposed revision. It was agreed to refer to the Livestock Impact Mitigation Plan as the animal mitigation plan or the plan.

A motion to recommend in favor of staff's proposed revisions to Section 2.8 and additional revisions as follows was approved 6-0

1. Omit the word defecate from paragraph 2 – Indoor Pets.
2. Replace the acronym LIMP with Animal Mitigation Plan or the Plan

Meeting adjourned at 8:15