

MINUTES
MARSHALL CITY TOWNSHIP JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION
Regular Meeting Tuesday, August 20, 2013
7:05 P.M. – Marshall Township Hall

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order by Commissioner Banfield 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Commissioners Kiessling, Lyng, Kleinschmidt, Banfield and Alternate Gresly

Members Absent: Commissioners Fleming, Davis and Alternate Burke Smith

Staff Present: Natalie Huestis, Director of Community Services, City of Marshall
Susan George, Zoning Administrator, Marshall Township

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Kiessling, supported by Lyng, to accept the minutes of the January 12, 2012 regular meeting as submitted. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Lyng, supported by Gresly, to accept the agenda of the August 20, 2013 regular meeting as submitted. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Election of New Officers

MOTION by Gresly, supported by Kiessling, to nominate Matt Davis as Chair for a one year term. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

MOTION by Gresly, supported by Lyng, to nominate Paul Kiessling as Vice-Chair for a one year term. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

Reception of application for rezoning for the former Flynn property on Old US 27 North

Jim Schwartz, Director of Public Safety, stated that the City of Marshall and State Police will be merging into one location for a new Emergency Services Building. He stated that it is the perfect location for the State Police due to the ease of access of both I-94 and I-69, and the location will give the City a good north and south road for easy access to the city.

Commissioners asked Mr. Schwartz if the money was in place to start the project. Mr. Schwartz stated that the lease is with the State Attorney's Office and members of the House and Senate along with the Governor's Office are well aware of the project and supportive of the project. He stated that the City has approved the selling of a bond in the amount of 2.1 million dollars. The 2.1 million dollars will cover the City's portion of the project. Mr. Schwartz stated about 50 or 60 state police troopers and 18 police officers along with 2 non-officer staff will be in the 33,000 square foot building. He told Commissioners there will also be an out building for storage.

Commissioners discussed some concerns with the driveway and the sirens going off near a residential neighborhood. Mr. Schwartz stated that most of the Marshall Police Officers will already be on the road when they get a call, so there should not be too many complaints with siren noise.

Commissioners asked if they will receive the site plan at September's meeting. Staff stated the site plan will probably not get to the JPC until October's meeting.

MOTION by Banfield, supported by Gresly, to receive the application for rezoning for the former Flynn property on Old US 27 North. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

Set Public Hearing for Rezoning of the former Flynn Property on Old US 27 North

MOTION by Lyng, supported by Banfield, to set a Public Hearing for the Rezoning of the former Flynn Property on Old US 27 North for Tuesday, September 17, 2013. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

Russ Wickland stated that it would be good to have some form of letter in the file showing how the rezoning fits in with the Master Plan.

ADJOURN

MOTION by Lynn, supported by Gresly, to adjourn the Joint Planning Commission meeting at 7:23 am. On a voice vote; **MOTION CARRIED.**

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Webb