

**ELLIS COUNTY
JOINT PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES FOR December 1, 2010**

Members Present:

Bill Poland, Chairman
Paul Baier, Vice-Chairman
Kendall Krug
Gary Luea
Ken Richmeier
Luanne Kramer
Kirk Dickinson
Dick Klaus
Galen Huser

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Dale Wing, Zoning Administrator
Carla Meier, Recording Secretary

Counsel Present:

Bill Jeter

County Administrator:

Greg Sund

County Commissioner:

Dean Haselhorst

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The December 1, 2010 meeting of the Ellis County Joint Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman, Bill Poland at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the 601 Main Street meeting room.

Roll Call was taken. There were nine members present. There was a quorum.

Minutes: It was moved by Paul that the minutes be approved as written. Ken seconded. Motion carried

Public Presentations: Mark Bannister, representative of The Butterfield Wind, LLC organization requested that the Joint Planning Committee consider changes to the Ellis County Zoning Ordinance dealing with Wind Energy Generation Systems. It was the consensus of the Planning Committee to take a look at the proposals for the next meeting.

Staff Report: Zoning Administrator stated we have been working with the City on a Comprehensive Plan Proposal and have narrowed it down to two firms. We still need to make presentations to the County Commission and hopefully they will concur with what we have decided. City will consider the proposal December 16 and hopefully we can have something done by then.

Old Business: None

New Business: Public Hearings Opened with information being presented by Chris Riha, Site Acquisition Manager for Viaero Wireless, for Conditional Use Permit 1028 and by Eugene Carroll, Site Acquisition Manager for Viaero Wireless, for Conditional Use Permit 1029 each for a cell tower for Viaero Wireless. Discussion followed. The Committee was of the opinion the applications did not comply with the current County Regulations. Ken moved to table both Conditional Use Permits 1028 and 1029 until the next meeting. Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chairman Poland asked if the Regulation books they have could be updated with current Regulations.

Dick moved that Zoning Administrator check into what it will take to rezone the two mile stretch between Feedlot Road and Hopewell Road. Ken seconded. Motion carried.

Lance Russell requested that the Committee consider having a Public Hearing at the January 2011 meeting on the Regulation changes presented by Mark Bannister. Attorney Jeter stated that the changes need to be approved and published before a Public Hearing can be held.

Confirm next meeting date: Paul moved that the next meeting date be December 29, 2010 at the Ellis County Meeting Room at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Poland requested Agenda items for the December 29 meeting include continuance of Conditional Use Permits 1028 and 1029, New Books, the proposed changes to the Regulations and the rezoning issue of the two mile stretch between Feedlot Road and Hopewell Road.

Adjournment: It was moved by Galen and seconded by Luanne that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted:

Carla Meier, Recording Secretary

Chairman, Planning Commission

Date