

**DELAWARE-MUNCIE METROPOLITAN PLAN COMMISSION
MAY 2018 SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA**

DATE: May 14, 2018

PLACE: Commissioner's Court Room
3rd Floor, Delaware County
Building

TIME: 5:00 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Kathy Carey
Jerry Dishman
Shannon Henry

Andrew Ellis
Teresa Hensley
Jesse Landess
Michael Mueller

Rickie Sipe
Nathan Vannatter

Advisory Members

Duke Campbell

Mark Carter

Tom Borchers

NEW BUSINESS:

MPC 04-18A Jurisdiction: County Commissioners

Being a consideration of a request by the County Commissioners for a recommendation on an Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium on Certain Uses within Farming Zones in Delaware County, Indiana.

ADJOURNMENT:

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MINUTES**

The Delaware-Muncie Metropolitan Plan Commission held a special meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 5:00 P.M., in the Commissioners' Court Room of the Delaware County Building, Muncie, Indiana. President Andrew Ellis called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Ms Moody called roll and the following members were present: Mr. Borchers, Mr. Carter, Mr. Dishman, Mr. Ellis, Ms. Hensley, Mr. Mueller, and Mr. Vannatter. Absent: Mr. Campbell, Mr. Henry, and Ms. Sipe. Ms. Carey arrived at 5:36 P.M. Also present: Ms. Quirk, attorney for the Board.

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Being a consideration of a request by the County Commissioners for a recommendation on an Ordinance Establishing a Moratorium on Certain Uses within Farming Zones in Delaware County, Indiana.

Joe Russell, 3501 E. CR 700N, Eaton, Indiana, appeared. He stated that he was neither for nor against the moratorium but he feels it may be one sided against CAFOs. He stated that he was concerned if someone was proposing to build a CAFO and was under the 1 year period and a nearby property owner built a house that could prevent that site for the CAFO. He stated that the moratorium should include any building in the area to be fair.

Jennifer Irving, 3410 S. Burlington Drive, Muncie, Indiana appeared. She stated that currently Delaware County does not have an ordinance about CAFO or CFO development. She stated that this debate has been going on for several months and sees this moratorium as a way to protect everyone. She stated other building permits have a process and standards to follow and that this proposal should be passed so that CAFO or CFO development has those same steps to take. She stated she hopes this request will be voted as is, but asked if changes were made, would it then go back to the Commissioners.

Ms. Moody stated that the Plan Commission would give a recommendation to the Commissioners who would then have final action.

Robert Rahe, 3500 W. CR 1270N, Muncie, Indiana, appeared. He stated he had never heard of a residential building causing harm to anyone. He stated that a CAFO could pose health issues to those around and that it could not be compared to a residential development.

Mr. Russell stated that a rural home has no long term implications. He stated that it would only seem fair to have the language for a CAFO or CFO in the area to include setbacks for residential buildings and not just to prohibit the development of CAFOs or CFOs.

Ms. Moody stated that the committee can discuss issues such as preexisting conditions and things can be done to address any issues between now and the final zoning ordinance amendment.

Mr. Russell stated that reciprocal setbacks seemed to be a fair request.

James Harcker, 12605 N. Chestnut Street, Eaton, Indiana, appeared. He stated he does agree with Mr. Russell that there is no accurate comparison. He stated there are no rules for this and a moratorium needs to be put in place to allow for the right decisions to be included in the ordinance.

Ms. Moody stated that the Commissioners forwarded this request to the Plan Commission for a recommendation which can be favorable, unfavorable, or forward with no recommendation.

Mr. Dishman made a motion for a favorable recommendation for MPC 04-18A. Mr. Mueller seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Mr. Dishman, Mr. Ellis, Ms. Hensley, Mr. Mueller, and Mr. Vannatter. Voting against: none. Abstaining: Ms. Carey. Motion carried, favorable recommendation to be forwarded to County Commissioners for the May 21, 2018 regular meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Andrew Ellis, President

Marta Moody, Secretary