

CITY OF KNOX PLANNING COMMISSION 101 WEST WASHINGTON STREET KNOX, INDIANA 46534 574-772-5445

Meeting Minutes: September 7, 2021

Members Present: Don Kring, Jeff Berg, Dan Allen, John Wilson, Mark Simpkins, Ron Parker, Brent VanNorman

Members Not Present: Todd Flagg, Jeff Houston

Staff Present: Kenny Pfost, Todd Wallsmith

Staff Not Present: N/A

The September 7, 2021, Planning Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Don Kring. The Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call was performed. Member Parker made a motion to accept the August 3, 2021 minutes, and member Berg seconded the motion. Carried 7-0.

Public Hearing – Solar Energy Ordinance: President Kring opened the public hearing and presented the proposed ordinance. Mark Milo was in attendance and is against allowing solar farms. He asked the Commission to consider solar farms devaluing property and chemicals being released into the ground when they're destroyed. He also stated that this area of the country is not ideal for solar farms due to cloudiness. Attorney Wallsmith commented that it is not pervy for the Planning Commission to allow or prohibit solar energy farms. President Kring thanked Mark Milo for his input and closed the public hearing. Member VanNorman made a motion to send a recommendation to the Knox City Council that the proposed ordinance be passed. Member Parker seconded the motion. Carried 7-0.

Citizen Comments: N/A

Any other business: N/A

Adjournment: Member Berg made a motion to adjourn. Member Allen seconded the motion. Carried 6-0 at 6:33pm.

Kenny Pfost Director/Secretary