



Andrew Voeltz: Madam President. Good evening, members of the commission. My name is Andrew Voeltz and I am the attorney with the office of Andrew D. Voeltz, LLC, that is located here in LaPorte County. I have been an attorney licensed to practice law and in good standing with the State of Indiana since 2013. LaPorte County has been my home since 2013, and I have appeared in front of this Planning Commission and in front of the Board of Zoning Appeals more times than I can count. Certainly, the shoes to fill from the exiting attorney, meaning Doug Biege, are enormous. I intend to, if I am appointed to this position, I intend to pursue my appointment in the same manner that Mr. Biege did to make sure that these boards or this plan commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals remain apolitical. These boards are creatures of statute, and they need to remain that way and not move with the political shifts that occur in this County. And I would be honored to be appointed as the attorney for both the Plan Commission and the LaPorte County Board of Zoning Appeals.

Rita Beaty: Any questions?

Steve Holifield: You're going to accept the pay rate that we have set for?

Andrew Voeltz: That is correct. Whatever the current compensation is as deemed by both the County Commissioners and then the LaPorte County Council. I mean, it is what it is. and I will just leave it at that.

Rita Beaty: Thank you. Any other questions?

The second one we received was from Attorney Mark Worthley. Is Attorney Mark Worthley here by any chance? Is there someone here to speak on his behalf? All right; I believe that is the only paperwork I have in front of me. Is there any other attorneys present that are wishing to apply for the position this evening?

Eric Pointon: I would like to make a motion to appoint Mr. Voeltz as our attorney to the two boards.

Steve Holifield, Second the motion.

John Carr: I have a question. Just curious, is there any pending or open litigation with the Planning Commission right now?

Steve Holifield: I spoke with Doug and he is going to take care of anything that is outstanding right now at the current county rate to get us through that.

Rita Beaty: Mr. Biege has agreed to fulfill those obligations to see those through.  
All right, so is there any other discussion for the appointment for the attorney for the Board of Zoning Appeals and Plan Commission?

Okay. All those in favor for the appointment for Andrew Voeltz for the attorney for the Board of Zoning Appeals and Plan Commission, please signify by saying "Aye." Any opposed?

All approved, motion carried 8 - 0.

Rita Beaty: Congratulations, Mr. Voltz. Thank you for your time and your consideration.

And currently, I would like to ask for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

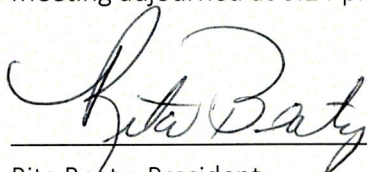
Eric Pointon: I make a motion to adjourn.

John Carr: Second.

Rita Beaty: All those in favor, signify by saying aye.

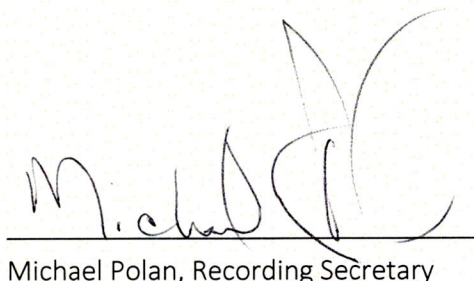
Motion carried and approved 8 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.



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Rita Beaty, President



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Michael Polan, Recording Secretary