MEETING OF THE BEECHER PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
(THE PZC)
Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
Beecher Village Hall
625 Dixie Highway

I. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

II. ROLL CALL

III. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 21ST MEETING.

IV. PUBLIC HEARING: CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL USE PERMIT IN THE B-1 HISTORIC DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR A CREMATORIUM AT THE HACK FUNERAL HOME, 753 HODGES STREET. A motion is needed to open and close the public hearing. The new owner of the business (Jensen) wishes to install one self-contained incinerator in the garage of the funeral home for approximately one cremation per day. The incinerator is completely self-contained and only emits hot air from the burners at 1,700 degrees for 40 minutes per cremation. There is no smoke or odor according to the petitioner. Examples of other crematoriums in residential areas include Orland Park and Dyer. The zoning ordinance is silent as to such a use and the petitioner believes the use is consistent with the permitted use he already has but has agreed to go through this process to address any concerns neighbors may have. In addition, the Vice-Chair of the PZC has asked the petitioner to provide documentation as to the approval of the unit from a certified testing lab, the American Gas Association (AGA) and whether sufficient natural gas supply exists at the location for the unit. These questions are to be answered at the hearing.

V. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE. At this meeting we are scheduled to review the results of the survey and all of the comments we have received, and to begin the process of selecting themes for the overall plan.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

VII. ADJOURNMENT - NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH AT 7:00 P.M.