MINUTES OF THE BEECHER PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

(THE PZC)

Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Beecher Village Hall 625 Dixie Highway

At 7:03 p.m., Chairman Phil Serviss called the meeting to order.

All present joined in the pledge to the flag.

ROLL CALL. Members present: Commissioners Bouchard, Carson, Hearn, Heim, Serviss and Tatgenhorst.

Members absent: Commissioner Schuitema.

Staff present: Administrator Bob Barber, Mike Hoffman and Pete Iosue of Teska Associates.

Guests: Ricardo Lopez and Stacy Mazurek (arrived at 7:15 p.m.).

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 24, 2019 MEETING. Commissioner Heim made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 24, 2019 PZC meeting as written. Commissioner Hearn seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Bouchard, Carson, Hearn, Heim, Serviss and Tatgenhorst.

NAYS: None.

Motion carried.

CONTINUED WORK ON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. At the last meeting the PZC was split into two groups to come up with "build" and "no build" land use scenarios pertaining to the Illiana Expressway and the SSA. The PZC discussed the results of these discussions and reviewed proposed land use plans for each.

Pete Iosue asked the PZC about any changes that they would like to have made to the map that was provided. Some changes were noted. There was much discussion on possible senior housing locations.

The alternate plan will still include the South Suburban Airport and Illiana Expressway.

Pete Iosue provided a map with the proposed Bike Trail. Some discussion followed.

NEW BUSINESS.

Administrator Barber reported that the Village has purchased a building and one acre of vacant property north of the Hallmark store. This will be used for storage for Public Works, Police Department and EMA.

Administrator Barber reported that the Beecher Fire Department will be expanding their current

facility on Penfield Street. They plan to add one bay and storage.

Administrator Barber reported that he and President Szymanski attended a presentation at Bult Field last night regarding economic development in Kankakee County.

Commissioner Serviss asked about the feasibility of the South Suburban Airport. The project is still not totally dead, that perhaps it will be built for private aviation or freight. The CSX intermodal project appears to be officially dead.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the PZC is Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT. Commissioner Hearn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Heim seconded the motion.

AYES: Commissioners Bouchard, Carson, Hearn, Heim, Serviss and Tatgenhorst.

NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary