

**MORTON PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES – JULY 23, 2018**

The Plan Commission met on Monday, July 23, 2018, at the Freedom Hall, at 7:00 P.M., Chairman Ferrill presiding. Present: Ferrill, Ritterbusch, Smock, Knepp, DeWeese, Keach, Zobrist, Fick and Westlake. Also in attendance: Planning and Zoning Officer Roger Spangler, Attorney Pat McGrath and Trustee Rod Blunier.

Zobrist made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 29, 2018 meeting seconded by Ritterbusch, followed by a unanimous roll call vote.

Public Hearing(s):

Petition No. 18-04 ZA: Subject property is “ROTH’S SOUTHSIDE SUBDIVISION” being Part Of The West Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 25 North, Range 3 West Of The Third Principal Meridian, Tazewell County, Illinois. Mark and Brooke Roth are requesting a zoning change from I-2 to R-1. Mark Roth spoke on behalf of Roth Southside Farms. Mr. Roth explained the house will be used as a residence. Planning and Zoning Officer Spangler noted that a Preliminary and Final Plat will be presented to the board at next month’s meeting. Chairman Ferrill stated he will abstain from the vote due to he represented the buyer and sellers. A motion to approve was made by Keach. A second to approve was made by Knepp, followed by a vote to approve.

DeWeese	Yes	Ritterbusch	Yes
Zobrist	Yes	Ferrill	Abstain
Smock	Yes	Knepp	Yes
Westlake	Yes	Keach	Yes
Fick	Yes		

Petition No. 18-04 ZA: Approved

Petition No. 18-05 ZA: Subject property is located at 420 N. Tennessee Ave., zoned R-S. A petition has been filed by Morton United Methodist Church requesting a zoning change from R-S to R-1 with a Special Use to be used as a Church. Jim Benckendorf spoke on behalf of the Morton United Methodist Church. Mr. Benckendorf explained the Church needs to expand due to the growth and the need for additional class rooms for the Church. There were no questions or discussion. A motion to approve was made by Ritterbusch. A second to approve was made by Fick, followed by a vote to approve.

DeWeese	Yes	Ritterbusch	Yes
Zobrist	Yes	Ferrill	Yes
Smock	Yes	Knepp	Yes
Westlake	Yes	Keach	Yes
Fick	Yes		

Petition No. 18-05 ZA: Approved

Roger Spangler: Planning and Zoning Officer Spangler proposed the idea of changing the start time of future Plan Commission meetings to an earlier time. This is due to that the ZBA meetings that precede the Plan Commission meetings have become short in time. This leaves a lot of time between the two meetings. As it was discussed, the item was left open for everyone to consider what would work for everyone.

With no further business, Fick made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Knepp, followed by a unanimous voice vote. The next regular meeting for the Plan Commission will be held on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.