**PLANNING COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2017**

**5:01 P.M.**

The regular meeting of the Okaloosa County Planning Commission was held Thursday, September 14, 2017, 5:01p.m., 208 North Partin Dr, Niceville Board Room, Niceville, FL. Board members in attendance were Larry Patrick, John Collins, and Robert Cadenhead.

Eglin Representative Jeff Fanto was not in attendance.

Growth Management Staff in attendance were Elliot Kampert, Director, Tim Durbin, Planner III and Leslie Adams, Administrative Assistant II, recording secretary.

County Attorney in attendance was Kerry Parsons.

Speaker recognition forms were submitted by persons wishing to speak as follows:

Agenda Item 1: Patton Hohn, 420 20th St. N, Birmingham, AL ---Attorney for Applicant

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Patrick called the meeting to order at 5:21 PM.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Leslie Adams conducted roll call.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 13, 2017**

The Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes.

***Motion to approve the minutes of July 13, 2017 made by Robert Cadenhead, second by John Collins --- 3 ayes. Motion passes.***

1. **OPEN TO PUBLIC (FOR ANY ITEMS NOT QAUSI JUDICIAL ON THIS AGENDA)**

None

1. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

1. **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

1. **ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

***Motion by to accept the agenda made by Robert Cadenhead, second by John Collins--- 3ayes. Motion Passes.***

1. **OATH TAKING**

Leslie Adams administered the oath for all speakers.

1. **DISCLOSURES**

Leslie Adams read the disclosure statements and Commissioners advised they had not visited the property involved nor had they spoken with anyone concerning the agenda item.

1. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

1. **NEW BUSINESS**
2. **Applications for development review**

**AGENDA ITEM 1:** Consideration of a proposed 305 foot tall, guyed communications tower as submitted by Baker Donelson Law Firm, Inc. on behalf of Tower Comm IV, LLC. The property is located in the vicinity of Price Road and Highway 4 in Baker. The property is zoned **Agriculture (AA)** and has a Future Land Use Map designation of **Agriculture (AG)**. The subject lease area consists of 10,000 square feet. The overall parcel contains 38 acres more or less.

Elliot Kampert read into record agenda item one.

Commissioner Cadenhead inquired about the one person who called in objection to the agenda item and why they were objecting.

Mr. Durbin addressed the Board about the one person who called to object and stated that they told him they just didn’t want to look at it and that was all.

Chairman Patrick called for Mr. Hohn to speak.

Mr. Hohn addressed the board and advised that Southern Link wants this to improve communications for the power company’s due to significant gaps in coverage. Mr. Hohn advised that the tower will also have two other tenants, T-Mobile and Mississippi Power, and this has been approved by the FAA and Okaloosa Airport Authority.

Chairman Patrick inquired about the size of the parcel.

Discussion ensued.

The misunderstanding in the size of the parcel was cleared up.

***Motion to approve Agenda Item 1 made by Robert Cadenhead, second by John Collins. 3 ayes---Motion passes.***

1. **Public Hearings**

None

1. **OTHER BUSINESS**

The **OCTOBER 12, 2017 Planning Commission meeting will be held at 208 N. Partin Dr. City of Niceville Board Room, Niceville, FL.**

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Patrick adjourned the meeting at 5:31 pm.

Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Leslie Adams, Recording Secretary

Date 10/02/17