

Fair Grove Planning and Zoning Open Meeting

81 S. Orchard
 Fair Grove, MO
 August 2, 2021

Roll call taken by Chairman Don Brite.

Dennis Roe, Paul Foreman, John Hayes, Steve Short, Travis Lee present.

Anthony Miller absent.

Meeting called to order at 6:42

PUBLIC PORTION – Public may speak on any item on this agenda.

Discuss grass airstrip adjacent to SE City limits. Comments requested by Thomas Hughes, Greene County Planner. (Formal letter to be sent with comments) Raymond and Natalie Keeney (owners) present along with several others. Keeney stated they were present to see what concerns the Commission had. Clearances, noise, number of plane use, and intended uses were discussed. When questioned, Keeney stated it is a 650 foot airstrip, too short for large or ultra-light planes, for small engine planes only. Keeney said he is asking Greene County for a Conditional Use permit, which would be for Keeney only. If Keeney sells property, the permit is null and void. It is FAA approved for Keeney's aircraft, which is smaller than a Cessna and very quiet. Keeney stated quieter than a chainsaw. He said there are 3 existing private use airstrips within 4 miles of Fair Grove, one having a 1000 foot runway. Keeney is a pilot and aircraft mechanic by trade and intended use is recreational and private use only. You must have permission to land there. Roe expressed some concerns of the Aldermen were noise as the town grows and sheer number of planes to use it but felt this did not appear to be the case now. Mayor Short agreed. Keeney had a packet with information, sound documentation, FAA approval, and a picture of his plane. Keeney said he was not aware of the Aldermen discussing it. Mayor Short complimented Keeney on how well prepared he was. Mayor also stated there wasn't time to get it on the agenda for the Aldermen meeting, it was presented to them in the Mayor's Report, and clarified to Keeney it was not up to the City to approve anything as it is outside city limits; but that the City's comments were requested.

Motion by Hayes, having all concerns discussed and addressed, the Commission has no objections to the airstrip proceeding. Second Short. No more discussion.

Roe aye, Foreman aye, Hayes aye, Short aye, Lee aye Brite aye.

Approve/Deny Rezone # RZ21-06-04 FROM C-1 General Commercial TO M-1 Industrial for the purpose of erecting a sign. Small vacant lot located adjacent (south) to 231 S. Orchard Blvd., owner Rick Akin with Akin Tactical. Not discussed. Public Hearing canceled due to applicant's absence.

Approve Planning and Zoning minutes from June 7, 2021:

Motion by Roe to approve June 7, 2021 meeting minutes. Second Foreman. Discussion: none.

Roe aye, Foreman aye, Hayes aye, Short aye, Lee aye Brite aye.

Change September meeting date due to holiday: Roe suggested Tuesday, September 7th.

Motion by Hayes to change September meeting to the 7th. Second Roe. Discussion: none

Roe aye, Foreman aye, Hayes aye, Short aye, Lee aye Brite aye.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Roe. Second Lee.

All ayes. Adjourned at 7:12