UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

THE CITY OF EASTMAN PLANNING & ZONING BOARD EASTMAN CITY HALL APRIL 19, 2021 MINUTES

THE EASTMAN-DODGE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD MET IN A REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING AT EASTMAN CITY HALL AT 6:00 P.M. MEMBERS PRESENT: JOHN REDDOCK, DAVID WHITTEN, JERRY STEVERSON AND BOBBY DANFORTH.

MEMBERS ABSENT: DEBORAH BURNEY HOWELL

OTHERS PRESENT: CITY OF EASTMAN FINANCIAL REPORTING CLERK VICKI BOHANNON, CITY OF EASTMAN CODE INFORCER JESSE BEARDEN, HERMAN BROWN SR, HERMAN BROWN JR, IVELYN LAMPKIN AND GAIL SMITH-CARR.

JOHN REDDOCK CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AND GAVE THE INVOCATION.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

JOHN REDDOCK ASKED FOR APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA. ON A MOTION FROM DAVID WHITTEN, SECONDED BY BOBBY DANFORTH THE AGENDA WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

JOHN REDDOCK ASKED FOR APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 15, 2021 MEETING. BOBBY DANFORTH MADE A MOTION, SECONDED BY DAVID WHITTEN TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 15, 2021 AS PRESENTED. SO CARRIED.

PUBLIC HEARING:

APPLICATION FROM **HERMAN BROWN SR** TO REZONE PROPERTY ON CORNER OF KING STREET AND 1ST AVENUE FROM R1-B TO B-2 ZONE.

HERMAN BROWN JR SPOKE ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICATION HE STATED THAT IT WOULD BE AN OFFICE FOR HIS CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS. THE U-HAUL TRAILERS AND VEHICLES CAN BE A SMALLER AMOUNT HE DOESN'T HAVE TO DISPLAY AN ABUNDANCE OF THEM ON SITE. JOHN REDDOCK STATED THAT THERE IS A LIST OF 23 NAMES IN OPPOSITION OF REZONING THIS AREA. THE REZONING OPENS UP THIS AREA FOR OTHER BUSINESSES AND THE NEIGHBORS ARE CONCERNED OVER THAT POSSIBILITY. JOHN REDDOCK STATED THAT HE IS NOT COMFORTABLE SENDING THIS APPLICATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITH A PETITION CONTAINING 23 NAMES IN OPPOSITION. GAIL SMITH-CARR STATED THAT SHE IS CONCERNED ABOUT THE ZONING CHANGE FOR THE U-HAUL BUSINESS BUT SHE IS FINE WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OFFICE. BOBBY DANDFORTH STATED THAT HE THINKS THERE ARE TWO TOTALLY DIFFERENT PROJECTS HERE. THE CONSTUCTION COMPANY IS FINE AND HE CAN PETITION THE CITY COUNCIL FOR A HOME OCCUPATION. BUT THE U-HAUL BUSINESS IS A WHOLE NOTHER PROJECT THAT THE NEIGHBORS ARE AGAINST. IVELYN LAMPKIN STATED THAT MR. BROWN CAN APPLY FOR A HOME OCCUPATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY SHE IS FINE WITH THAT JUST NOT THE REZONING FOR THE U-HAUL BUSINESS. THIS AREA IS A THOROUGHFARE AND THEY DON'T WANT A CAR LOT OR A CONVENIENT STORE TO COME IN AND CONGEST THIS AREA MORE THAN IT ALREADY IS. EITHER ONE WOULD BE AN EYESORE AND INCREASE THE AREA'S FOOT TRAFFIC AS WELL. JERRY STEVERSON MADE A MOTION TO DENY THE REZONING APPLICATION, SECONDED BY BOBBY DANFORTH. JERRY STEVERSON, BOBBY DANFORTH, AND JOHN REDDOCK VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE DENIAL. DAVID WHITTEN ABSTAINED FROM VOTING. THE RE-ZONING WAS DENIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

NONE.

ADJOURNMENT:

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, JOHN REDDOCK CALLED FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. DAVID WHITTEN MADE A MOTION, WITH A SECOND FROM BOBBY DANFORTH, SO CARRIED. MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.

SECRETARY