

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2023  
LINCOLN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**

Attendees

Benton Barnes, Chairman  
Daniel Eldridge, Co-Chair  
Charles Hunter, Secretary  
Cole Blocker  
Jimmy Sumners  
John Thorpe  
Danny Shelton  
Chad Mullins  
David Sanders  
Kevin Chastine, Planner on contract  
Traci Perkins, LC Planner  
Michele Rutledge, Admin. Asst.

Absent

Colin Wakefield  
Mackenzie Carter

Other Attendees

Kate Guin  
Ricky Bryant  
Steve & Sharon Guntherberg  
Spring Brindley  
Daniel Green

Chairman Barnes called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**ROLL CALL**

Michele Rutledge conducted a roll call; 9 present, 2 absent.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

John Thorpe moved to approve the PC meeting minutes of August 3, 2023 as submitted.  
Second offered by Jimmy Sumners. **Call for vote, unanimously approved.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT TIME**

There was none

**OLD BUSINESS**

There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. New Highland Rim School Construction Site Plan-111 Highland Rim Rd.-  
Chairman Barnes introduced the first agenda item. Secretary Hunter distributed plans for the Planning Commission to review. Ricky Bryant, Supervisor of Facilities and Maintenance for Lincoln County Schools, was in attendance to answer several questions from the PC and the public. Secretary Hunter stated the New Highland Rim School Construction Site Plan was approved yesterday by the Utility Committee at their meeting. After a short discussion, Secretary Hunter made a motion to approve the site plan. Cole Blocker seconded. **Call for vote, unanimously approved.**

2. Little Blessings Daycare Construction Site Plan for an addition-3175 Pulaski Hwy– Chairman Barnes opened the second agenda item. Surveyor Daniel Green was in attendance and represented Little Blessings Daycare. Mr. Green provided plans for the PC to review. Cole Blocker made a motion to approve the site plan. John Thorpe seconded. **Call for vote, unanimously approved.**
  
3. Comprehensive Plan and Subdivision Regulations Discussion- Co-Chair Eldridge shared an outline / objectives regarding the Comprehensive Plan, as well as tasked the Planning Commission to provide input on the development of the Steering Committee to assist with the creation of the Comprehensive Plan. Secretary Hunter provided suggestions referencing Subdivision Regulation amendments, based on feedback from the public. He requested input from the PC. John Thorpe made a motion to call for a Public Hearing to be held on October 5, 2023 at 5:30 pm prior to the Planning Commission meeting at 6:00 pm, so the public may provide input on the amendments to the Subdivision Regulations. David Sanders seconded. **Call for vote, unanimously approved.**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS and COMMITTEE**

There was none.

**PUBLIC BUSINESS**

There was none.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business, Jimmy Sumners moved to adjourn, second offered by David Sanders. **Call for vote, unanimously approved.** Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.

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Benton Barnes, Chairman

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Date

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Charles Hunter, Secretary

*Minutes unofficial until voted on and signed*