

BENTON PARISH METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION-SPECIAL CALL

MINUTES

Monday, May 9, 2017 – 6:00 P.M.
Benton Town Hall
105 Sibley Street, Benton, Louisiana

MEMBERS PRESENT

Martha Reyenga
Steve Vercher
Grace Jenkins

OTHERS PRESENT

Sam Marsiglia
Warren Moore

MEMBERS ABSENT

Bryan Kauffer
Shonta Neal
Carlotta Askew-Brown

Martha Reyenga, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

(A) Sam Marsiglia, MPC Director, called roll and stated a quorum was present.

(B) PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. BP-17-17-The application and request of Warren Moore, Total Properties, LLC for the zoning board to determine if the use “Event Center” could be allowed in a B-2; Neighborhood Business District zoning classification.

Steve Vercher, board member, inquired as to if public notification was done.

Sam Marsiglia stated for this type of meeting the only notification required is to post a notice at least 24 hours ahead of the meeting on a conspicuous location for the public to see and that this had been done.

Warren Moore was present to represent the application and discussed with the zoning board his plans for a proposed Event Center on Cypress Lake on the site of the old Cypress Inn Restaurant which is zoned B-2.

Steve Vercher asked what the building would look like and was there plans drawn.

Warren Moore stated that there were no drawn plans at this time as they had not purchased the property. Mr. Moore described what he had in mind for the look of the building.

Martha Reyenga, asked what the proposed hours of operation would be.

Warren Moore stated they would not be open past the allowed time in the B-2 district.

Sam Marsiglia stated what the allowed hours of operation were for the B-2 district and how those hours of operation can be controlled by the board if allowed by “Planning Approval” instead of a “Use by Right”.

Steve Vercher inquired as to the parking plans for the proposed business.

Warren Moore discussed the existing parking and also what he proposed for additional parking.

As there were no further comments from the board or the public, a motion was called for.

A motion was made by Steve Vercher and seconded by Grace Jenkins to allow an "Event Center" in the B-2 classification as "Planning Approval" not a "Use by Right. A roll call vote was held and the motion carried unanimously.



Martha Reyenga, Chairman

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