



Town of Ignacio

Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes

Wednesday, 6:00 pm, June 14, 2017

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Abel F. Atencio Municipal Room, 570 Goddard Ave., Ignacio, CO 81137

I. Call to Order

Dan Naiman called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

II. Roll Call

Present: Members: Bill Baird, Teresa Campbell; Community Development Administrator: Dan Naiman.

Guests present: Ron Dunavant, Mr. Mike Pacheco, Ms. Tracy Morgan Peña

Absent: Chair: Pete Vigil; Vice Chair: Gina Schulz; Members: Bernadette Lopez; Vacant – Alternate (1), Vacant – Alternate (2); Town Board Representative: Dixie Melton, Trustee; Ignacio Chamber of Commerce Representative: Andrea Taylor.

III. Public Comments:

Mr. Naiman stated that, although there is not a quorum, there is a public hearing scheduled for this evening; he opened the meeting for public comment on the *Vacation of a Portion of Sundown Street In Ignacio*.

Mr. Mike Pacheco and Ms. Tracy Morgan Peña were present to speak. He stated that they are the ones who have the adjoining properties on either side of Sundown Street. They do not want foot traffic through there; there is a fence on the East side which he believes the Southern Ute Tribe put up. He stated that they are in agreement with an easement for utilities, but they do not want a walkway for foot traffic.

Ms. Peña stated that she also does not want foot traffic. She told of what took place prior to the fence being erected (police would chase people directly through there and people would tease her animals), and expressed concern that if foot traffic is allowed, there will be disturbances late into the night.

Mr. Naiman stated that Sundown only goes to East Alley (not all the way to Shoshone) because law enforcement did not want people to be able to take shortcuts through there into Town. He reiterated that Mr. Pacheco and Ms. Peña object to the pedestrian easement. They agreed. Ms. Peña stated that she is in agreement with the drainage and utility easement.

Mr. Naiman stated that we are attempting to plan for the future by creating an easement where, if Sundown Street were paved, there would be an easement for drainage and utilities. Mr. Pacheco stated that they are both in agreement with the easement for drainage and utilities.

Mr. Baird asked how wide the easement would be. Mr. Naiman stated that after the vacation of Sundown Street, the easement would be 5 (five) feet on both sides of the new property line, for a total of 10 (ten) feet, and that would include easement for drainage, utilities and a walkway.

Mr. Naiman stated that the Planning Commission has already approved the vacation of Sundown Street. The next step in the process is that he will take the Planning Commission recommendation to the Town Board and he will also provide them with the comments and objections that Mr. Pacheco and Ms. Peña have expressed. Mr. Naiman stated that the Town Board Meeting will be on Monday night (June 19) and that Mr. Pacheco and Ms. Peña were welcome to attend that meeting. Mr. Naiman stated that he already has a draft ordinance written, and he will revise it so that there is a copy with the pedestrian easement and a copy without the pedestrian easement, but he cannot guarantee how the Town Board will vote.

Ms. Peña stated that she is also concerned that if there is a walkway there, someone from the Rally who is drunk may come and tease her dog or attempt to ride their motorcycle on that walkway.

Some discussion ensued regarding existing and proposed fences, etc.

Because there were no further comments, Mr. Naiman closed the public hearing.

IV. Adjournment

Mr. Naiman adjourned the meeting at 6:32 PM.