

### **CALL TO ORDER**

THE TURNER COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MET ON TUESDAY JULY 16, 2024, IN THE TURNER COUNTY COURTHOUSE BASEMENT COMMUNITY ROOM. MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:15AM BY CHAIRMAN SCHMEICHEL.

### **ROLL CALL**

MEMBERS PRESET WERE CHAIRMAN SCHMEICHEL, COMMISSIONER MILLER, COMMISSIONER HAASE, COMMISSIONER CIAMPA AND ALTERNATE AUSTIN. COUNTY STAFF PRESENT WAS PLANNING AND ZONING DIRECTOR DAISY JOHNSON.

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

CHAIRMAN SCHMEICHEL ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGES TO THE MEETING AGENDA. NO CHANGES PROPOSED. A MOTION TO APPROVE TODAY'S AGENDA WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE. VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN YEAS: ALL NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES**

CHAIRMAN SCHMEICHEL ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGES TO THE MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 14, 2024, MEETING. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM MAY 14, 2024. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE. A VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN. YEAS: ALL NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

AT 11:15 AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR CAROLINE GROSS ESTATE AND MAYSON MCDUGLE WHO PETITIONED THE BOARD FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO TRANSFER A BUILDING ELIGIBILITY. MAYSON MCDUGLE AND DENNIS DUNCAN, REPRESENTIVIE FOR THE CAROLINE GROSS ESTATE WERE PRESENT FOR HEARING AND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS OF THE BOARD. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO TRANSFER ONE BUILDING ELIBILITY. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CIAMPA. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

AT 11:20 AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR PATRICIA BOELMAN WHO PETITIONED THE BOARD FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO TRANSFER A BUILDING ELIGIBILITY. ANNE GROHS WAS PRESENT FOR HEARING AND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS OF THE BOARD. GROHS IS THE ORIGINAL LANDOWNER OF THE PARCEL TO BE THE RECEIPT OF THE BUILDING ELIGIBILIY. BOELMAN WAS UNAVAILABLE. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CIAMPA TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO TRANSFER ONE BUILDING ELIBILITY. A SECOND WAS MADE BY ALTERNATE AUSTIN. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

At 11:30 AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC WHO PETITIONED THE BOARD FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN EXISTING ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION TO BE BROUGHT INTO COMPLIANCE. THIS SUBSTATION IS

LOCATED IN SECTION 3 OF PARKER TOWNSHIP. JERAE WIRE WITH EAST RIVER ELECTRIC WAS PRESENT FOR THE HEARING TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION. BOARD DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

AT 11:35AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO EXTEND AN EXISTING TOWER FROM 20' TO 40'. THIS SUBSTATION IS LOCATED IN SECTION 3 OF PARKER TOWNSHIP. JERAE WIRE WAS PRESENT FRO THE HEARING TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER CIAMPA TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO EXTEND AN EXISITING TOWER FROM 20' TO 40'. A SECOND WAS MADE BY ALTERNATE AUSTIN. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

At 11:45AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC WHO PETITIONED THE BOARD FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN EXISTING ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION TO BE BROUGHT INTO COMPLIANCE. THIS SUBSTATION IS LOCATED IN SECTION 27 OF SWAN LAKE TOWNSHIP. JERAE WIRE WITH EAST RIVER ELECTRIC WAS PRESENT FOR THE HEARING TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION. BOARD DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

AT 11:50AM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO EXTEND AN EXISTING TOWER FROM 20' TO 40'. THIS SUBSTATION IS LOCATED IN SECTION 27 OF SWAN LAKE TOWNSHIP. JERAE WIRE WAS PRESENT FRO THE HEARING TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE APPLICATION. DISCUSSION WAS HELD. NO OPPOSITION WAS PRESENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO EXTEND AN EXISITING TOWER FROM 20' TO 40'. A SECOND WAS MADE BY ALTERNATE AUSTIN. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

AT 12:00PM A HEARING WAS HELD FOR EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATEIVE INC FOR A CONDIATIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A NEW PUBLIC UTILITY FACILITY. THIS FACILITY PROPOSED LOCATION WOULD BE LOCATED IN SECTION 28 OF HURLEY TOWNSHIP. JERAE WIRE OF EAST RIVER ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE INC WAS PRESENT FOR THE HEARING TO ASNWER QUESTIONS. DISCUSSION WAS HELD BY THE BOARD. THE OPPOSITION PRESENT WAS LYNETTE ALMOND. LYNETTE STATES SHE IS BUILDING A NEW HOME ACROSS THE STREET WAS THE PROPOSED PUBLIC UTILITY FACILITY. SHE HAS CONCERNS OF NOISE POLLUTION, THE ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELD, DECIBALS OF NOISE FROM THE PUBLIC

UTILITY FACILITY. JERAE WIRE ANSWERED SOME OF THE QUESTIONS BUT DID NOT HAVE REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR ALL THE CONCERNS. MORE DISCUSSION WAS HELD. A MOTION WAS MADE BY THE ALTERNATE AUSTIN TO TABLE THE HEARING UNTIL MORE INFORMATION CAN BE PROVIDED. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER. ROLL CALL VOTE WAS TAKEN: YEAS; HASSE, AUSTIN, MILLER, CIAMPA, AND SCHMEICHEL. NAYS: NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

AT 12:18 THE PUBLIC INPUT WAS OPENED TO THE FLOOR. NEXT ERA ENERGY RESOURCES AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMPANY GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE SWAN LAKE WIND PROJECT. THEY PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AND PROVIDED SOME HANDOUTS.

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

NO OTHER ADDITIONAL ITEMS WERE DISCUSSED. THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING WILL BE AUGUST 13,2024.

**ADJOURNMENT**

AT 12:30PM A MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER MILLER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. A SECOND WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER HAASE. A VOICE VOTE WAS TAKEN. YEAS: ALL NAYS: NONE. MEETING ADJOURNED.