

MINUTES OF THE ORRVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
Held December 17, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Davis, Dave Handwerk, Norm Hibinger, Ned Hostetler,
Bob Snyder, Steve Wheeler
MEMBERS ABSENT: Jen Phillips
STAFF PRESENT: Karen Flinner
OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Stauffer

Chairman Snyder called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1. The Commission approved the minutes of the November 19, 2020, Planning Commission meeting as mailed.
2. The Commission reviewed a three-year conditional zoning certificate issued to Steven Madigan for a home occupation (CAD drafting service) at 1017 West Church Street. Mr. Madigan contacted staff prior to the meeting and stated that he is still in business and would like to continue the certificate. Staff has received no complaints. Wheeler moved and Davis seconded that the Commission extend the conditional zoning certificate for a period of three years. Ayes all. Motion carried.
3. PUBLIC HEARING: The Commission reviewed a request from Dave and Shannon Stauffer for approval of a conditional zoning certificate at 536 South Main Street to operate an Airbnb. Mr. Stauffer was in attendance and stated that this is a historical home that they wish to keep in that condition. An Airbnb is easier to manage than a rental property, and offers an alternative to the hotel for visitors to Orrville. The closest Airbnb he believes is in North Lawrence. There will be no sign at this time. An abutting neighbor, Frank Croskey, submitted an email stating that he does not oppose the application, but would like a condition set that allows the applicants only to operate the business. Mr. Wheeler stated that the application meets all requirements of the zoning code, and that the City agrees that this approval applies to Mr. and Mrs. Stauffer only, and any future owners would need to re-apply with the City for approval. Wheeler moved and Hostetler seconded to APPROVE the conditional zoning certificate as submitted, contingent upon the approval being for the applicants only. Ayes all. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 21, 2021, at 3:00 pm.

Chairman

Secretary