MINUTES OF THE
MIAMI COUNTY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
JANUARY 15, 2020
ANNUAL MEETING

MIAMI COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
201 SOUTH PEARL STREET
PAOLA, KANSAS 66071

ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR: Mark Ross
VICE-CHAIR: Lloyd Peckman
MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom Bach, Ken Berg, Chris Brown, Ken Patrick, Larry Sumner
MEMBERS ABSENT: None
PLANNING DIRECTOR: Teresa Reeves
COUNTY COUNSELOR: Not present
PLANNER: Not present
SECRETARY: Not present
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: None present
COUNTY CLERK: Janet White
PRESS: Not present
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1. Call To Order
   Chairman Ross called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call
   All seven members were present for roll call, which constituted a quorum.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. New Business
   a. Oaths of Office
      Janet White, County Clerk, administered the oaths of office for Chris Brown and Ken Patrick.
   b. Election of Officers
      Mark Ross was eligible for another term. Patrick moved to re-elect Ross to a second term. Brown seconded and nominations ceased. Ross was elected unanimously.

      Peckman was not eligible for another term. Patrick nominated Tori Bach to serve as Vice-Chair. Sumner seconded and nominations ceased. Bach was elected unanimously.
   c. Adoption of 2020-2021 BZA Calendar
      Sumner moved to adopt the calendar as presented. Peckman seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
   d. 18004-VAR: Nolan
      This agenda item for a variance request from the floodplain regulations, was continued to the April 15, 2020 BZA hearing date at the request of the applicant.

      Some members questioned why the court remanded this item back to the BZA and what they were charged with reconsidering. Reeves noted that details of the case could not be discussed outside of the hearing but noted that the motion stated that Board needs to make findings specific to the floodplain regulations.

      It was recommended that in general, for “all” applications being considered, that a checklist be used with the 5 standards for variances listed so each member could initial each standard reviewed and how they voted. It was also recommended that a voice vote be taken by each member on each standard.
Members asked when they would receive the packet to review and asked that the court documents be included so they would know exactly what was requested.

5. **Old Business - None.**

6. **Other Business – None.**

7. **Planning Director Report**

   Reeves updated members on the recent Gardner annexation petition, noting that the commission denied the request earlier that day.

   A proposal and scope of services was discussed with the commissioners earlier that day for the comprehensive plan update. The firm will submit a revised proposal in the next week or two.

   Reeves presented the year end totals for building permits and zoning/planning applications, and also extended an invitation for an upcoming solar energy presentation in Ottawa.

8. **Adjourn**

   Patrick moved to adjourn. Peckman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

   The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

   Approved this 3rd day of February, 2020

   Angie Baumann, Secretary

   [Signature]

   Chairman, Mark Ross / Vice-Chair, Tom Bach

   Minutes written by Teresa Reeves.