

**MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
CONDUCTED ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2013 AT 5:30PM IN THE IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL
CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 300 IBERIA STREET, NEW IBERIA, LA 70560**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson Dana Dugas determined a quorum was present and called the Meeting to Order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jane Braud, David Fangue, Dana Dugas, Perry Judice, Nathaniel Mitchell and Ronald Fremin

MEMBERS ABSENT: Butch Bourgeois, and Lanie Borel

OTHERS PRESENT: John R. Raines, Carmen Judice and Julie Armentor

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jane Braud made a motion to approve the September 19, 2013 Minutes which was seconded by Nathaniel Mitchell; the motion was unanimous.

DEVELOPMENT REVIEW #1: Patch Investments, LLC – Crochet Road – Abandonment and re-establishment of Drainage Easements.

John Raines explained the location of the site and what they were requesting. Mr. Raines also stated that Public Works had reviewed the abandonment and they had no problems.

There being no further input from the public, Mr. Dugas closed the Public Hearing and requested direction of the Commission.

David Fangue made a motion to approve the request which was seconded by Ronald Judice; the vote was unanimous.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. **Family Partitions** – Mr. Raines explained that he was waiting for an opinion from Jacques Cousin on the Commissions ability to require Family Partitions to have adequate access and that their access is to an acceptable standard. He indicated that he thought the opinion would be ready for the December Meeting.
2. **Farm Animals in Residential Areas** – Mr. Raines explained that the Department wanted to regulate farm animals in single family residential areas but was advised by Animal Control to avoid the situation. Animal Control indicated that they monitor the presence of farm animals and the Department should not get involved.
3. **Traffic Impact Fees** – Mr. Raines advised the Commission that in Baton Rouge a Traffic Impact Fee of \$893 was charged for every new residence...single family, apartment, townhouse, mobile home... in an effort to offset the high cost of transportation

improvements in the area. The impact fees collected were then escrowed in a transportation fund which defrays the costs of road improvements.

4. Proposed Budget – Mr. Raines explained that the Department Budget is under review and the Council had requested the Department to analyze its fee structure to be more in sync with surrounding areas and communities. He explained that this process was underway and he would keep the Commission informed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business David Fangue requested a Motion to adjourn which was seconded by Jane Braud; the vote was unanimous.

Submitted by John R. Raines
Director of Permitting, Planning and Zoning