

**MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH REGIONAL ZONING COMMISSION MEETING CONDUCTED ON  
THURSDAY OCTOBER 28, 2010 AT 5:30PM IN THE IBERIA PARISH COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
300 IBERIA STREET, NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA 70560**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairman Tommy Granger determined there was a quorum and called the meeting to order.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dana Dugas, Tommy Granger, Bruce Dupray, Ronald Fremin, Barbara Laviolette, Perry Judice and David Fangué

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Jane Braud and Lanie Borel

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Kevin Hagerich, Julie Armentor and John Raines

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Dana Dugas made a motion to approve the September 23, 2010 minutes which was seconded by Bruce Dupray; the vote was unanimous.

**RECLASSIFICATION REQUESTS:**

Agenda Item #1: G. Mitchell Gautreaux - Southeast intersection of Hwy 90/Hwy 88 between Hwy 88 and Myers Road – John Raines explained that the site is comprised of 64 acres and is divided amongst four or five tracts of property. The site is currently zoned Mixed Residential (R-2) although the majority of the property is utilized for agricultural production. The adjoining property to the west is zoned Industrial and it has frontage on Hwy 90. The property along Hwy 90 is currently vacant but is being marketed as industrial property.

John also explained that this property's future use is anticipated to be used for an oil and gas company office and warehouse and that both anticipated uses are allowed in and could require an industrial classification.

Ronald Fremin requested to be opted out since his family owns some property in this area.

Farris Romero addressed the Commission indicating his opposition to the proposed reclassification request. Mr. Romero, speaking on behalf of his family members present who also own property in the area, said that the area was primarily agricultural and there was no need for additional industrial development in the area. He was also concerned that industrial zoning would have an adverse impact on his property taxes. John Raines indicated that property taxes are based upon the use of the property not the zoning of the property. The Commission and the Romero family engaged in general discussion about the development of the area and its potential future utilization.

After significant discussion, the Chairman closed the Public Hearing and requested a motion. Dana Dugas made a motion to approve the reclassification from Mixed Residential (R-2) to Industrial (I-1) which was seconded by Barbara Laviolette; the vote was unanimous. Mr. Ronald Fremin abstained as his family owns property in the area.

**TEXT AMENDMENTS:** John Raines explained that the Commission had been given a copy of the current Zoning Ordinance which is maintained in the Compiled Ordinances of Iberia Parish in the Clerk of Court's Office. As the Compiled Ordinances are only updated once a year, Mr. Raines recommended that the Zoning Ordinance be adopted as a separate Ordinance and maintained by the Permitting Office on a regular basis.

Dana Dugas made a motion to approve the Adoption of the Zoning Ordinance which was seconded by Bruce Dupray; the vote was unanimous.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** By - Laws – John Raines explained the several changes to the By- Laws which was discussed at previous meetings.

Bruce Dupray made a motion to adopt the By-Law changes which was seconded by Dana Dugas; the vote was unanimous.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Dana Dugas made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Barbara Laviolette; the vote was unanimous.

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