

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**

**PLANNING COMMISSION/  
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS  
October 18, 2011**

**Commissioners Present:** Cowman, McLean, Smith, Wrischnik

**Commissioners Absent:** Pfefferkorn, Peterson

**Others Present:** Mike Gotfredson, Brian McCauley

**Item 1: Pledge of Allegiance**

**Item 2: Consider minutes from the September 20, 2011 meeting.**

Chair Cowman called the meeting to order. The first order of business was the consideration of the minutes from the September 20, 2011 meeting.

*Commissioners McLean and Smith made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted, with all Commissioners voting in favor.*

**Item 3: Consideration and vote on a fence at 7 Baptiste Drive, Pearl Street Baptist Church, applicant.**

Planner Gotfredson presented the changes that had been proposed by the church in moving the playground area closer to the building.

Commissioner Wrischnik asked about whether the requirement for a hedge was still valid. Planner Gotfredson said that while the LDO makes allowances for chain link fencing of playgrounds, that the hedge requirement was still valid.

Commissioner Cowman felt that the intent of the LDO allowed for chain link fencing for playgrounds at churches.

*Commissioners Cowman and Wrischnik made a motion to approve the chain link fence around the playground equipment with a condition that a hedge be installed on the edge of the playground. All Commissioners voted in favor.*

**Item 5: Consideration and vote on changes to the Land Development Ordinance related to the Community Growth Areas, City of Paola, applicant.**

Planner Gotfredson asked if any commissioners had new insights on the changes. Commissioner Smith said that he would like to see the changes made to clean up the LDO.

*Commissioners Smith and McLean made a motion to approve the Community Growth Area amendments to the Land Development Ordinance until next meeting. All Commissioners voted in favor.*

**Item 6: City Planner Report and Items from Commissioners.**

Planner Gotfredson informed the Commission that the volunteers are requested for an advisory committee for new height hazard regulations for the airport.

**Item 7: Adjournment**

*Commissioners Cowman and Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. All Commissioners voted in favor.*

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.