

**MINUTES  
LAND USE COMMITTEE SPECIAL  
JANUARY 13, 2022 @ 5:30 P.M.  
ROOM 403**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** James Dillon - Chairman; Eden Blair, Jennifer Groves Allison, Brian Elsasser (*via teleconference*), William Watkins, Jr., Sharon Williams

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jennie Cordis Boswell - State's Attorney's Office; Scott Sorrell, Shauna Musselman - County Administration; Kathi Urban, Andrew Braun, Sarah Cox - Planning & Zoning; Jack Walton – Management Analyst; James Fennell – Peoria County Board Member

**Call to Order:**

Mr. Dillon called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A motion to approve the participation of Mr. Elsasser via teleconference was made by Mr. Watkins and seconded by Dr. Blair. A vote was taken on the motion and carried. (5-0)

**Zoning Cases:**

ZBA-2021-000048, Petition of Peoria County:

Dr. Blair made a motion to approve the Map Amendment and was seconded by Ms. Williams.

Andrew Braun presented the case, a Map Amendment to zone parcels of approximately 53.24 acres and 36.19 acres, totaling two parcels of approximately 89.43 acres, to “A-2” Agriculture. The parcels are part of an island in the Illinois River in Chillicothe Township. The parcels currently have no zoning designation. The maps from 1974, 1986, 1996, and 2004 do not indicate a zoning designation for the parcels. There was no Future Land Use Plan designation in the 1992 Comprehensive Land Use Plan or the most recent 2009 Comprehensive Land Use Plan. The County has been assessing the parcels since January 1966. There is a series of islands, to the north of the subject island, that are all zoned “A-2” and it is consistent with the purpose of the “A-2” zoning. There are 4 consents and no objections on this case. The Department of Planning and Zoning recommends rezoning these parcels to “A-2” and the Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously supported that recommendation.

James Fennell commented that this is his district, and he lives across the river from the island. He enjoys the wildlife and feels that the “A-2” designation is good for protecting that wildlife.

Mr. Dillon thanked Mr. Fennell and Planning and Zoning Staff for their work on this case.

A vote was taken on the motion and carried (6-0).

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Dillon adjourned the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

*Recorded by: Sarah Cox, ZBA Administrative Assistant*