

**ALLAMAKEE COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**January 16, 2025**

**Roll call of Commission Members:**

			Term Expires
Chairperson	James Pladsen	Present	2028
Vice-Chair	Jack Knight	Present	2026
	Teresa Severson	Absent	2025
	Lori Egan	Present	2027
	Keith Bresnahan	Present	2029

**Members Present:** James Pladsen, Jack Knight, Lori Egan, Keith Bresnahan

**Members Absent:** Teresa Severson

**Others Present:** Stephanie Runkle- Zoning Administrator, Claire Opperman- Administrative Assistant, Dan Byrnes- Supervisor, Hollee McCormick- REC, Val Reinke, Amy Bresnahan, Dean Peterson, Ryan Wagner- REC

*\*All Board Members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted. MCU = Motion Carried Unanimously*

**Call to Order:** P & Z meeting was called to order at 5:02 PM by Chair Jim Pladsen

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Knight to approve agenda; Seconded Egan. All in favor. MCU

**Approval of Minutes:**

12/12/2024 – Motion by Knight to approve minutes as written; Seconded Pladsen. All in Favor. MCU

**New Business:**

**Appoint Chair & Vice Chair:**

Egan made a motion to elect Pladsen as chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission; Bresnahan Seconded. All in Favor. MCU

Egan made a motion to elect Knight as vice-chair of the Planning and Zoning Commission; Bresnahan seconded. All in Favor. MCU

**Introduction of members:** Lori Egan and Keith Bresnahan joined the Planning and Zoning Commission. Runkle gave an introduction along with a brief description of what the P&Z Commission does. Egan and Bresnahan also received a binder of information regarding everything the P&Z Commission does.

**Subdivisions Plats:**

**Brad G. Berns:** Discussion took place on the subdivision plat for Brad G. Berns. Runkle went over the map and survey with the board. Bresnahan makes a motion to accept the plat as presented, Egan seconds. All in Favor. MCU

**Roeland Investments LLC:** Discussion took place of the subdivision plat for Roeland Investments LLC. Runkle went over the map and survey with the board. Egan makes a motion to accept the plat as presented, Bresnahan seconds. All in Favor. MCU

**Solar Utility Ordinance:** Hollee and Ryan spoke at the meeting regarding a solar project and Battery Energy Storage site they are looking at on behalf of REC. This was also an opportunity for the board to ask any question they had regarding creating a solar ordinance. The board had a lot of great questions and had a lot of great information to add or change in the ordinance. The board learned that the solar farms need to be as close to a within 2-3 miles of a distribution center. They also discussed where all the distribution centers are in Allamakee County. Runkle gave the board a new rough draft to look over before the next meeting which is a work session for the solar ordinance. The board will have a work session for the solar ordinance on January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Office.

There being no further business to discuss, motion by Egan to adjourn at 7:15 PM; Seconded by Knight. All in Favor. MCU.

Please notify the undersigned of any errors, omissions, or corrections.

  
Stephanie Runkle Zoning Administrator

1/27/25  
Date