Planning and Zoning meeting minutes: March 7, 2022

Meeting called to order by Gene Moyers at 5:30pm.

Present: Gene Moyers, Ben White, Corinne Watts, Ben Vance, Don Ratliff, Mayor Theresa Kelly, Codes Officer Kevin Shira

Absent: Larry Wilson

Ben V. made a motion to accept the minutes, Don seconded the motion, and the motion passed 6-0.

**New Business:** To consider a Conditional Use Permit Application from Nicholas Leadbetter to operate a home-based dog training business at 1208 Northwood Terrace.

The applicant, Nicholas Leadbetter, came forward to speak in favor of the application. He would like to train dog owners and their dogs how to properly work together from his home, and to take care of dogs outside his home by walking them and caring for them inside their home when owners are away. He would not be operating a kennel; it would only be one dog at a time allowed in his home. The training would happen in his insulated and sealed garage, and he has a 6-foot privacy fence. All dogs would have to be vaccinated and registered with the City. He currently is the handler at the Sheriff’s office and it is his goal to reduce the pet-related calls each year from 400. He has recommendations from Dapper Blue and the vets in town and has talked to the vets about doing a puppy orientation program.

A neighbor, Sharon Baugnhead, came forward to express concern over the possible extra noise and to express concern for the animals that were running loose around her property. Nicholas agreed that the barking was a concern and he said he could get barking under control in 25 minutes with his training.

No one else came forward in favor or in opposition to the petition.

With no further discussion, Corinne made a motion to recommend to City Council the approval of the conditional use permit, it was seconded by Don, and passed 6-0.

With no other new or old business, Don made a motion to adjourn, Mayor Kelly seconded the motion, and the motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:54.