



CANYON COUNTY PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD
Thursday, December 17, 2020
7:00 P.M.

1ST FLOOR PUBLIC MEETING ROOM SUITE 130, CANYON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Commissioners Present: Robert Sturgill, Chairman
Patrick Williamson, Vice Chairman
Sandi Levi, Secretary
Rick Fried, Commissioner
John Carpenter, Commissioner
Scott Brock, Commissioner
Sheena Wellard, Commissioner

Staff Members Present: Patricia Nilsson, Director
Dan Lister, Planner
Kellie George, Recording Secretary

Chairman Robert Sturgill called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Commission Secretary Levi read the testimony guidelines and proceeded to the business item on the agenda.

Action Item Case No. CU2020-0014: The applicant is requesting a conditional use permit to allow a dog kennel on Parcel R25081010A. The property is located at 33359 Island Road, Parma; also referenced as a portion of the SW ¼ of Section 17, T6N, R5W; Canyon County, Idaho.

No conflicts or declarations were made by the Commission.

Dan Lister presented the staff report. He provided a history of the property. The use is not commercial but for the owner's dogs. Site photos from a site visit were reviewed as well as other uses in the vicinity. The area is mostly agricultural. He reviewed comments from agencies and two neighbors. The applicants have proposed measures to mitigate potential noise impacts from barking. Mr. Lister reviewed the proposed conditions of approval.

Commissioner Fried asked to for clarification the wording on some of the conditions of approval. Mr. Lister reviewed how the conditions would be evaluated.

Commissioner Carpenter asked if there had been complaints in the past. Mr. Lister replied that an Animal Control Officer had visited the property to advise the owners they needed a conditional use permit.

Commissioner Williamson asked if there were several litters at one time and the number of dogs exceeded 12 if they couldn't sell the puppies fast enough. Mr. Lister replied the applicant has agreed to abide by the conditions.

The late exhibit (Powerpoint) was entered into the record by the Chair.

Kristi Ames, 33359 Island Road, Parma, ID, testified in support of the application as the applicant. She

described the type of bark control collars they use. They have provided their contact information to their neighbors to contact them if they have any problems about the dogs. They have not been contacted by any of the neighbors.

Commissioner Williamson asked how dogs she currently has. Ms. Ames replied they have 12 dogs and they don't plan to have more dogs in the future. He then asked about the reasons for the parking area on the site plan. Ms. Ames replied they park their tractor and dog trailer in that location. She described the double fences they have installed on the property. He asked that breed of dogs they have. She replied they are Goldendoodles or Standard Poodles.

Commissioner Carpenter asked if they have had problems with the neighbors in the past. She replied they only had one problem with a neighbor that has since been resolved. That incident occurred in October. He asked about the ultrasound bark collar. She described that it produces a sound the dogs can hear that people can't hear. He asked how many times a day they have to deploy the collars. She replied that maybe 2-3 times a day for a very short duration as the collar will eventually shock the dog. He asked what the purpose is for owning the dogs. She replied that they are their pets and that most of the females have been spayed.

MOTION: Commissioner Carpenter moved to close public testimony on Case CU2020-0014, seconded by Commissioner Williamson. Voice vote, motion carried.

Commissioner Brock stated that this is a perfect example of property rights and the requirements are based on local ordinances. The other houses are distant from the property.

MOTION: Commissioner Brock moved to approve Case CU2020-0014 based on the Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and conditions of approval and order. Motion seconded by Commissioner Wellard. Roll call vote with 7 in favor and 0 opposed, motion carried.

Commissioner Williamson moved to adjourn. Commissioner Levi seconded the motion. Voice vote, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm.

Approved this 7th day of January, 2021

Robert Sturgill, Chairman

ATTEST

Kellie George, Recording Secretary

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