

New Albany Architectural Review Board met in regular session in the Council Chambers at Village Hall, 99 W Main Street and was called to order by Architectural Review Board Vice Chair Mr. Jonathan Iten at 7:00 p.m.

Those answering roll call:

Mr. Alan Hinson, Chair	Absent
Mr. Francis Strahler	Present
Mr. Jonathan Iten	Present
Mr. Jim Brown	Present
Mr. E.J. Thomas	Present
Mr. Andrew Maletz	Present
Ms. Traci Moore	Absent
Mr. Michael Durik	Present

Staff members present: Mr. Chris Christian, Planner; and Josie Taylor, Clerk.

Moved by Mr. Iten to table the approval of the January 10, 2022 meeting minutes until the next regularly scheduled meeting, seconded by Mr. Thomas. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Iten asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

Mr. Christian stated no.

Mr. Iten noted there were no new members and asked if any existing members needed to be sworn in.

Mr. Christian stated no.

Mr. Iten noted that City Council might want to consider amending the requirement that an annual organizational meeting occur in March of every year. Mr. Iten stated it could perhaps be altered so that the organizational meeting could occur in any month where the Architectural Review Board ("ARB," hereafter) would normally have a meeting around the March timeframe rather than having a special meeting in March only for organizational purposes.

Mr. Durik stated that he would look into this matter and bring it up to City Council.

Mr. Iten stated he appreciated it.

Mr. Maletz noted that it was a pleasure serving on the ARB and working with its members.

Other Business

Annual Organizational Meeting

Swear in new members

Mr. Iten noted there were no new members.

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Chairperson Nomination

Moved by Mr. Iten to nominate Mr. Hinson as Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Strahler. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Vice-Chairperson Nomination

Moved by Mr. Iten to nominate Mr. Iten as Vice-Chairperson, seconded by Mr. Strahler. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Secretary Nomination

Moved by Mr. Iten to nominate Mr. Brown as Secretary, seconded by Mr. Strahler. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Establish date, time, and location for 2021 regular meetings

Moved by Mr. Iten to maintain the current Architectural Review Board meeting schedule of the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. EST for the 2021 year, seconded by Mr. Brown. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Strahler asked if the ARB members needed to be sworn in again when the term restarted.

Mr. Christian stated no.

Mr. Maletz stated he wanted to discuss an issue which had arisen in certain cases. Mr. Maletz stated there were some elements of the design review process which might need to be updated. Mr. Maletz stated that, as an example, the ARB had heard a case regarding a waiver for the use of hardie plank versus wood on a home. Mr. Maletz said hardie plank was now viewed as preferable on a home. Mr. Maletz said the ARB and City should be keeping up with technology and developments as that would benefit the community.

Mr. Christian stated staff was looking to do that later this year. Mr. Christian asked the ARB for additional areas they would like to have reviewed.

Mr. Iten noted they had recently reviewed parking restrictions designed for an above ground garage while reviewing an underground garage and some of the restrictions had not made sense for an underground garage.

Mr. Christian stated that would be the Urban Center Code and that too was on the list for review.

Mr. Maletz asked if there would be an opportunity for each committee to review such updates.

Mr. Christian stated yes.

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Moved by Mr. Thomas to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Maletz. Upon roll call: Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Mr. Iten, yea. Yea, 5; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Submitted by Josie Taylor.

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