



# City of Arkansas City

## PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM | 400 W Madison Ave, Arkansas City, KS

Call to Order: 5:30 PM by Ian Kuhn

Roll Call:

☐ Dr. Tyson Blatchford  
☒ Kyle Lewis

☒ Lloyd Colston  
☒ Cody Richardson

☒ Brandon Jellings  
☐ Dotty Smith

☒ Ian Kuhn  
☒ Tom Wheatley

### Declaration:

*At this time, Planning Commission members are asked to make a declaration of any conflict of interest or of any Ex parte or outside communication that might influence their ability to hear all sides on any item on the agenda so they might come to a fair decision.*

*Lloyd Colston explained that should there be any vote on Item 3, he would excuse himself from voting as he was an amateur radio operator.*

### Public Comments:

*Persons who wish to address the Planning Commission regarding items not on the agenda. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes. Any presentation is for information purposes only. No action will be taken.*

### Consent Agenda:

1. Meeting Minutes, **February 14, 2023 and March 14, 2023 meetings.**
  - a. Lloyd Colston made the motion to approve the minutes and Brandon Jellings made the second. Voice vote carried the motion.

### Public Hearings:

2. Consider the advisability of vacating all of Taylor Avenue adjoining Lot 1 of Block 15 and Lot 14 of Block 4, Sleeth Addition.  
Ian Kuhn turned the meeting over to Josh White for the PowerPoint presentation. Josh mentioned to the board the applicant was present at the meeting. Josh explained that the applicant wants to expand the yard space as she had been maintaining the area for quite some time. Josh explained the history of the area. Notices were sent out to neighbors within 200' from the area. Cody stated if the neighbor to the north was a rental, the renters probably didn't want more yard to mow. Josh explained what the county would do: Mrs. Vaden would get half of Taylor and the property owner to the north would get the other half. Tom asked if Josh had heard from the property owner to the north, and he had not. Brandon made the motion to approve the vacation of the property and Lloyd Colston made second. Roll call vote carried the motion.

### Consideration:

3. Amateur Radio Antenna Height discussion  
Lloyd explained his history and knowledge as a amateur radio operator. Rod Richardson, Attorney was available to explain with the amateur radio operations is and the history of it. Ron Upton was also present and gave the board a background of himself. Mr. Upton would like to discuss towers and some of the problems with that. Brandon asked Mr. Upton what he was asking for, Mr. Upton said that he would like to see the

height restrictions dropped. Ian asked josh for clarification on the height restrictions. Josh explained that there are height restrictions in residential areas. After discussions, Ian suggested a proposal be drafted to be discussed at the meeting next month.

**Other Items:**

Josh would like to say that this is part of a larger group of amendments , he just wanted the board to be aware.

**Adjournment: Tom made the motion to adjourn at 6:54 PM and Lloyd made the second. Voice vote carried the motion.**