



Vilonia Planning Commission
Minutes from March 30, 2023 Meeting

Members Present:

Trey White, Chairman

Jeanna Branson, Secretary

Charles Coker

Ryan Sims

Todd Beene

Brady Zweifel

Tyler Wofford

Jonathan Pyron

Public Hearing was opened at 7:00 p.m. prior to the Meeting. Chairman Trey White outlined the procedure and structure that the Public Hearing would follow. A representative from the Crypto business was invited to give a brief overview of the plans for the new business. Present to speak on behalf of Vilonia Crypto were John Cirillo and Ethan Wang, Daniel Morehart (performs dirt work) and Jim Garland. Chairman White explained the Conditional Use Permit definition.

Representative explained the business briefly. Stated that normally the most concerning side effect of crypto mining is the noise. They stated that the decibel level was actually quite low from a typical distance. The business would be located next to the Entergy sub-station. Entergy has crypto rider. Entergy would shut down the operation during high use period if it the system was strained. Data mining operations us block chain technology. The computers would be housed in 8 ft x 20 ft containers or pods. Containers would be placed on a stone pad with a water curtain on one side with fans in the container to pull the air through. Power would be from underground.

Jim Garland, formerly with Entergy, explained that Vilonia is one of several sites that have been chosen for this type of business. Entergy has recruited this type of business and a special rate

tariff for these customers was approved by Public Service Commission. Entergy pays a franchise fee to the city or municipality where the business is located. The City also receives sales tax based on the amount paid by the business to Entergy for electricity.

Cindi Milam asked how many containers were proposed to be used and expressed concern about the noise level.

Scott Langston asked how much land will be used by the business.

Mike Balentine asked details about comparable projects

Kevin Rigby lives nearby and asked if internet speed would be affected.

Pa Lawrence asked how many kilowatts of power are used daily and about the frequency output.

Nancy Dickerson asked if neighboring property owners were notified and if there are any plans to expand.

Representatives of the business explained there would be 15 containers and the business would be using 2 acres of land. Internet usage would be minimal.

The Public Hearing portion of the meeting was closed and the regular meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Trey White.

The minutes from the Jan. 26, 2023 meeting were read by Trey White. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Beene and seconded by Mr. Sims. The motion carried.

Old Business

Introduction of new members, Mr. Brady Zweifel, Mr. Tyler Wofford, and Mr. Jonathan Pyron. Announced re-appointment of Members, Jeanna Branson, Ryan Sims, and Charles Coker.

New Business

Vilonia Crypto Site—Mr. Cirillo explained the water cooling system as a closed loop system. There would be an office housing one or two employees at a time, security cameras on site. All lighting would be down lighting. There is a special rider approved by the Public Service Commission. Power to the containers would be via pole and loop to underground transformers on pads. Containers will be white in color.

Charles Coker ^{made} ~~mad~~ a motion to approve the Conditional Use with the condition of assurance that the business would erect sound barrier if warranted. Ryan Sims seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, none opposed and none abstaining.

Announcements/Comments

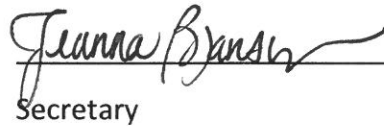
The next scheduled City Council meeting will be April 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Comments regarding proposed site plan included making sure building setback lines are followed and the driveway off of Energy Way would have a concrete apron.

Mr. Sims made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Wofford. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



Chairman



Secretary

Date: 5-25-23

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PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING SIGN-IN SHEET

The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the conditional use of the proposed Crypto Site planned to be located on Energy Way.

Name	Address (include city if not Vilonia)
Donald Smith	15 BRADEN LAKE VILONIA 7213
Maree Coats	58 Union Greenbrier
Mike Matos	24 Whispering Wind Cir Vilonia AR
Pam Lowmyer	14 Wicker St W Vilonia
Randy Weaver	26 Monarch Trail
Charles T. Weaver	100 CATTLE CREEK TRAIL
Ricky Stone	31 Single OAK DR., Sherwood
Kevin RIGBY	71 Janski Ln
Mary RIGBY	71 Janski Ln
Ethan Wang	3 Alton Ln, Little Rock
Sherry Clements	34 Camille Ct
JOHN CIRILLO	9258 SEAMAN RD

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Name	Address (include city if not Vilonia)
Scott Langston	10 Kristen Dr
Sandra Langston	10 Kristen Dr
Nancy Dickerson	36 Slaty Gap Rd
Brandon Martinez	Harbor Home Lane
John Allison	5 Amanda Lane, Vilonia
Cindi Melon	7 Dove Creek Dr Vilonia
Amy Balentine	11 Braden Lane, Vilonia
Bois Balentine	11 Braden Lane, Vilonia
Jim Garland	2605 S. 15th Pl., Rogers, AR
Paul M...	40 Downwood Greenbrier, AR
James Freeman	2 Dexter St.