

**LOWELL PLAN COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**December 8, 2011**  
**7:00 PM**

President Kelley called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken. Members answering the roll call were Don Huseman, Greg Shook, Richard Kelley, Eli Carras, Bob Philpot, Matt Felder and James Konradi. Also present were Director of Community Development Wilbur Cox and Attorney R. Lawrence Steele and Recording Secretary Christine Marbach.

**Consent Agenda:**

President Kelley asked for a motion to approve the November 10, 2011 meeting minutes. Mr. Konradi moved to approve the meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Huseman. Voting was **all in favor**.

**Public Hearing:**

**None.**

**Old Business:**

**None.**

**New Business:**

**Lowell Church of Christ, 299 Burr St., Lowell, IN 46356.**

**Petition to vacate a portion of the plat.**

**Purpose: Church addition.**

Doug Homier, S & H Engineers was present to represent the Lowell Church of Christ. He stated that they were asking to vacate some internal easements between the lots that the church owns in order to facilitate the new addition that was approved last month. Mr. Huseman stated that the plans show a 50 ft building line with a new 30 ft. building line. Mr. Homier stated that Lot 1 in Christian Acres had a 50 ft building line, all the other lots have 30 ft building lines, so as they are vacating the easements they are also vacating that building line to 30 ft so it's continuous with all the other building lines. Mr. Huseman wanted to know about the sidewalks going south. Mr. Homier stated that currently the sidewalk ends at the southern tip of Lot 1 in Christian Acres, the site plan that is drawn up did not continue this sidewalk to the south. Mr. Cox explained that this could be brought up at the final plat hearing. A discussion followed regarding the location of the water main and the sanitary sewer on the east side of Burr St. until it gets to Harrison. Mr. Shook stated that he wants to keep the 10 ft. utility easement on the south side of Lot 17. Mr. Homier agreed and stated that this should be made in the motion not to vacate the 10 ft. easement on Lot 17. Mr. Cox suggested that they could approve the petition to vacate all easements except the south 10 ft of Lot 17.

President Kelley **opened the public hearing**. Donald Gorball, 285 Lakeland Dr. stated that he is the Chairman of the Building Committee for the Church of Christ and would like to see this happen. President Kelley **closed the public hearing**.

Mr. Huseman moved to vacate all easements except the south 10 feet of Lot 17. Seconded by Mr. Konradi. Voting was **all in favor**.

**Announcements:** Mr. Cox stated that this is the last meeting of the year and they unfortunately will lose a member of the Plan Commission and he would like to Thank Mr. Huseman for his service and supporting the Plan Commission department and the Community Development Department.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Konradi motioned to adjourn at 7:10 PM. Seconded by Mr. Shook

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Richard Kelley, President

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Elias Carras, Secretary

Note: The above-proposed minutes are submitted for review and approval as the official minutes by the Plan Commission.

Christine Marbach – Recording Secretary