

Monument Planning Commission, Feb. 13

New commissioners sworn in; St. Peter parking lot zone change and replat approved

By Kate Pangelinan
The Feb. 13 Monument Planning Commission meeting saw the official

swearing in of Planning Commissioner Daniel Ours and Alternate Planning Commissioner William Lewis, as well

as the election of Michelle Glover as the commission's chair. Commissioner John Dick will serve as vice chair. Glover was nominated for her new position by Commissioner Kenneth Kimple.

Aside from the changes within the Planning Commission itself, this meeting featured only one brief scheduled item: a zone change and replat for the St. Peter of the Rock Chapel and Ministry Center parking lot.

After the meeting, Senior Planner Jennifer Jones and Planning Director Larry Manning led a training course on the nature of planning and the role of the Monument Planning Commission. *Paperwork for the meeting can be located at <https://monumenttownco.documents-on-demand.com/>. Recorded MPC meetings can be found on YouTube at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdFLo8UcqZfFdkio5jT6G-DA/videos>.*

St. Peter of the Rock zone change and replat

As stated in the Planning Department's meeting packet, "The purpose of this proposal is to combine multiple lots into a single lot. In order to combine all the lots together, they must have the same zoning." St. Peter of the Rock Chapel (155 Jefferson St.) is situated on a lot zoned B for business use. The five lots south of this property comprise 1.17 acres and are used for parking. These parking lot spaces are zoned R-2 for residential use. If the proposal is successful, all these pieces of property will be zoned for business use and can then be replatted into one cohesive lot.

The current use of the land will not change at all if this zoning change and replat proposal is ultimately successful.

The St. Peter of the Rock zone change and replat proposal was approved for recommendation unani-

mously. This topic will now be voted on by the Board of Trustees.

Planning training

Many subjects were covered during the planning training provided by Jones and Manning after the official meeting. Some points of note included:

- A timeline was provided to demonstrate the planning process, explaining the time it takes to refine a typical project before it is presented to the Planning Commission and after. This also included listing some of the referral agencies contacted to review/comment on the project before the Planning Commission sees it, including the Department of Transportation, the U.S. Air Force Academy, Triview, etc. as deemed necessary for a specific project.
- The need to amend the town's municipal code was discussed, as amendments have been made to it over the years without much regard for mentions of the subject being amended still located throughout the code. It was also suggested that the municipal code needs to be updated to reflect new trends. A comprehensive update for this municipal code has been planned pending a state Department of Local Affairs grant. It was suggested that this could be granted during the summer, starting off a potentially 24-month process of updating the code. The town would hire a consultant to review the code should this come to pass.
- Applicable reasons for voting to deny recommendation for a project were also discussed, particularly dealing with adherence to the town's codes. Only the codes can be used as rationale for a negative vote, and the codes are




Professional Deck Repair & Upgrades

We repair and improve all aspects of decks. Since 1999. Free Estimates.

BORDERS DECKS

Call today! (719) 578-8900

bordersdeck@hotmail.com

 **Now Open!**

2019 MVEA BOARD NOMINATIONS

★★★★★ **One Member. One Vote. Your Voice Matters.**

During the Annual Meeting on June 13, 2019, at Palmer Ridge High School in Monument, two directors will be elected to the Mountain View Electric Association, Inc. (MVEA), Board of Directors from the following districts:

District 3: Elbert and surrounding areas to include a portion of the Black Forest (incumbent Errol Hertneky)

District 5: Ellicott, Fountain, Falcon and surrounding areas (incumbent Kevin L. Paddock)

The "Procedure for Director Elections and Member Voting" is available on MVEA's website at www.mvea.coop/annual-meeting.

To view a territory map with districts, visit www.mvea.coop/territory-map.

Are you interested in being an MVEA Board of Directors candidate? A candidate must be an MVEA member and reside in the district where there is a vacancy. Visit MVEA's Annual Meeting web page at www.mvea.coop/annual-meeting for additional candidate requirements. Click on "By-laws" and go to Article III, Section 2. Before seeking candidacy, please contact MVEA at (800) 388-9881 to verify your district. A member may seek election by nomination by the nominating committee or nomination by petition.


- To be nominated by the nominating committee, please contact a member of the committee or the MVEA Board Nomination Information Line. A candidate questionnaire must be received by the committee or submitted via email to candidate@mvea.coop by 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 9, 2019.
- To be nominated by petition, you must have the petition signed by 15 MVEA members. Petitions and procedures are available at MVEA's offices or on the Annual Meeting web page listed above. The petition, along with a completed candidate questionnaire must be returned to an MVEA office by 5:30 p.m., Monday, April 29, 2019.


A candidate questionnaire must be completed for either nomination by the committee or nomination by petition. The questionnaire can be found on MVEA's website or you can pick one up at an MVEA office. If you have questions, please contact a member of the nominating committee or contact the MVEA Board Nomination Information Line.

Nominating Committee

District 3: Jean Mikita • (719) 347-2509 District 5: Dennis Carter • (719) 683-2675


MVEA Board Nomination Information Line
Tel: (719) 494-2528
Email: candidate@mvea.coop


MOUNTAIN VIEW ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC.
Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

www.mvea.coop • (800) 388-9881 Stay Connected: Like. Follow. Share. 

The Lewis-Palmer School District #38

HALL of FAME



The Lewis-Palmer School District #38 Hall of Fame committee is now accepting nominations from the community for inductees to the 2019 Hall of Fame. Anyone may nominate a person who has made significant, ongoing contributions to the excellence of District 38 schools. The awards seek to honor retired staff (teachers, support staff, administrators), volunteers, elected officials, and community members. Nomination forms and information about how recipients are chosen are posted on the District website at www.lewispalmer.org under the Community Tab. **Deadline: April 19, 2019**

On a great path...