

Planning & Zoning Commission
City of McGregor
Thursday, November 11, 2021 10:30 a.m.

The Planning and Zoning Commission for the City of McGregor met Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. in City Hall. Fettkether, Reynolds, Brummel, and Knight were in attendance. City Attorney Mike Schuster, Mayor Lyle Troester, and Candi Johnson, property owner, were also in attendance.

The meeting is being held at the request of James and Candice Johnson to request a change to the current zoning ordinance that would allow them to construct three tourist cabins on their property located at 1002 Tanglewood Drive. The units would be rented as Airbnb. They had submitted a building permit to the city which could not issued due to the size requirement of 24x24. The units they want to construct are 14' x 18'. Currently tourist cabins in R-2 are allowed by approval of the Board of Adjustment as a special request. It was noted that tourist cabins are also allowed in R-3, so any change could potentially affect other zoning districts as well. The use might not be something suited for some of the other R-2 areas. The lots that they own are very well suited to such a use.

Commissioners were all favorable to the concept and asked Attorney Schuster the best method to accomplish this without creating a use in other areas where not acceptable. Mr. Schuster recommended the formation of another zoning district – R-4. Reynolds moved, seconded by Knight to have the city administrator and city attorney develop an ordinance for an R-4 zoning district for the Johnson property on Tanglewood that would accommodate temporary occupancy structures. Ayes – all. Motion carried. Adequate parking per unit and minimum yard requirements will also be included. The ordinance will be prepared for consideration of the city council at its December meeting.

With no further business to conduct, Reynolds moved, second by Fettkether to adjourn. Ayes – all. Meeting adjourned.

Lynette L. McManus, Zoning Administrator