

**City of Arab Planning Commission  
Minutes of Meeting  
6:00 pm, Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

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**Members Present:** Melissa Cook, Mark Gullion, Patricia Henry, Rodney Willingham, Seth Bell, Chris Hemphill, Thomas Shelton, Curtis Snider, Dameon Pittenger

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Kim Johnson-Secretary  
Scott Spence-General Manager of Arab Electric Cooperative  
Dianne Prestridge  
Billy & David Campbell  
Mike McGee  
Russ Roberts-City/GMC Engineer

Chairperson Patricia Henry called the meeting to order; the roll was called. The minutes of November 20, 2018 were reviewed; Mark Gullion made a motion to approve; Thomas Shelton seconded, with everyone else approving.

**New Business:** *Vacation of Right-of-Way Request for 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW.*

Chairperson Henry opened the public hearing. Scott Spence, General Manager of Arab Electric Cooperative, was in attendance to represent the Co-op Board. He stated that the Co-op owns the 2 parcels on either side of the road & would like to have the road (4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW) vacated since no one uses it and they would be able to more fully utilize their property for public utility services. He provided signed documentation that all the other local utilities did not object. Several neighbors in attendance asked questions but declared they did not oppose the request.

After much discussion, Rodney Willingham made a motion to recommend approval to the City Council to vacate 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW (only the portion from HWY 231 to 5<sup>th</sup> St SW); Curtis Snider seconded.

**Other Business:** Mike McGee presented an updated sketch plat. All utilities reviewed & made corrections to this plat to make it acceptable. Several members had questions regarding drainage since Mr. McGee did not provide any plans. Russ Roberts (City/GMC engineer) stated that a Storm Water Management Report (drainage plan) would need to accompany the Preliminary Plat prior to approval. Mr. McGee requested the Planning Commission “approve” this plat before moving to the expense of Preliminary Plans. The Commission informally approved the plat as presented but any changes after this date would be subject to the City Engineer’s approval.

With nothing else on the agenda, Dameon Pittenger made a motion to adjourn; Curtis Snider seconded, with everyone else approving.

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Patricia Henry Chairperson	Date
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