

## **PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES** **Wednesday, February 18, 2026**

On Wednesday, February 18, 2026, a meeting of the Cuyahoga Falls Planning Commission was held at the Natatorium, 2345 Fourth St., Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, at 6:00 p.m. in accordance with Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Rice, Chair  
Rob Habel, Vice Chair  
Jeff Iula  
Colleen Kelly

Alicia Harris  
Susan Spinner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sandy Locascio, Secretary  
Jake Ricker

COMM. DEV. STAFF: Rob Kurtz, Planning Director  
Adam Paul, Asst. Planning Director  
Lori Jones, Admin. Specialist  
Mary Spaugy, Development Director  
Carrie Snyder, Development Deputy Director

Mr. Dan Rice called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. He then welcomed everyone back to the Planning Commission for the new year.

Mr. Rob Habel read the agenda into record

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Mr. Rob Habel made a **MOTION** to elect Dan Rice as **Chair**. The **MOTION** was **seconded** by Ms. Colleen Kelly. **The Vote to APPROVE the motion: Yes- 5, No- 0. The MOTION is APPROVED with a vote of 5 to 0.**

Ms. Colleen Kelly made a **MOTION** to elect Rob Habel as **Vice Chair**. The **MOTION** was **seconded** by Mr. Jeff Iula. **The Vote to APPROVE the motion: Yes- 5, No- 0. The MOTION is APPROVED with a vote of 5 to 0.**

Mr. Rob Habel made a **MOTION** to elect Sandy Locascio as **Secretary**. The **MOTION** was **seconded** by Ms. Alicia Harris. **The Vote to APPROVE the motion: Yes- 5, No- 0. The MOTION is APPROVED with a vote of 5 to 0.**

## **Minutes**

### **October 21, 2025**

With no comments or corrections, a **MOTION** was made by Mr. Iula, and **seconded** by Ms. Kelly to **APPROVE the minutes** from **October 21, 2025**. The **Vote: All Yea (5-0)**. **Motion carried.**

## **Other Business**

Mr. Rob Kurtz passed out copies of the Chair Script for everyone to have a copy for their files, and stated that the City Staff is here to answer any questions that the Commission may have prior to moving on for the year.

Mr. Habel stated that the order is a little different on the form, and that Mr. Rice does the Pledge of Allegiance in a different place, and a discussion ensued on how that breaks the ice and settles nerves. Mr. Habel stated that having this sheet is very helpful.

Mr. Kurtz also stated that the text amendments have now been published online and they have added tabs to it for ease of use. Mr. Rice asked about printed copies, and was informed that we are no longer printing copies, due to size.

Mr. Adam Paul stated that he appreciates the Commission members and he is happy to see everyone. He stated again that any questions or issues can be addressed, if needed. There were none.

Ms. Mary Spaugy announced that Diana Colavecchio retired in January, and she assumed the Director position. She then introduced Ms. Carrie Snyder, who was promoted to Deputy Director. She then thanked everyone for serving on the Planning Commission.

Mr. Rice congratulated them, and then asked each Commission member if they had anything to say.

Mr. Habel questioned if there is not a lot of development going on in the City, and if it is a trend.

Mr. Kurtz responded that there has been a slow in development, but also the Code changes have stopped some things from needing to come to the Commission also, but there should be new things coming soon.

Mr. Paul stated that collectively there were contributing factors to this, from the text amendments, not as many big projects, and less sites that can be developed.

Ms. Harris stated that she noticed that the 55-unit development on Front Street has slowed also.

Ms. Kelly stated that being a newer member she is enjoying the Commission members, and she appreciates the City staff and all of the help that is provided.

Mr. Iula stated that he too is new and learning, and he is enjoying being here, even with the crazy meetings, although he hopes he is not sick this year, like last year. He then congratulated Mary and Carrie, and thanked everyone.

Mr. Rice thanked Mr. Iula for all of his service to the City.

Ms. Susan Spinner, who stated she is on the Planning and Zoning Committee for City Council too, stated that it is valuable being on Planning Commission to see and hear things first, before taking it to City Council. It is very helpful.

Mr. Rice thanked everyone for all that they do.

## **Adjournment**

With no further discussion, a **MOTION** was made by Ms. Harris to adjourn the meeting, and it was **seconded** by Mr. Iula. With a **Vote of 5-0** the meeting adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Lori Jones