

Town of Porter Plan Commission Meeting Minutes November 19, 2025

The Town of Porter Plan Commission Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Rob Albrecht-Mallinger.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

In attendance were Park Director Brian Bugajski, Tara Duffie, Jim Eriksson, Mary Burke, Rob Albrecht-Mallinger, Jim Burge, Fire Chief Jay Craig. Also in attendance were Michael Barry, James Mandon, and Tammie Sufana, Recording Secretary.
A quorum was attained.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Craig made a motion to approve the minutes of September 17, 2025, as written, Ms. Duffie seconded. Minutes approved 7-0.

Audience Participation

Site Plan

Preliminary Hearing

Public Hearing

Findings of Fact

Other Business/Old Business

Framework for Porter Rental Ordinance- Mr. Albrecht-Mallinger states the sole business for tonight is to get the framework for Porter Rental Ordinance. Remember these are just recommendations the Town Council has final approval. Chief Craig had question on page 2 last bullet point, can it be any bedroom, consensus says ok. Page 4 under rentals second bullet about parking spots and no parking on street. Downtown some people can only park on street. Attorney mentions what about saying town approved parking. Determination was that renters must only use town approved parking. Mrs. Duffie asked why you couldn't ask how many cars you are going to have when they fill out registration. Mrs. Duffie asks what the consequences are when owners don't respond, Mr. Barry mentions there will be violations in steps. Mrs. Duffie asked about inspection fees and permit fees how did we get those numbers. Mr. Barry mentions they would

have to get with Clerk Treasurer to discuss. Mr. Barry states we cannot charge permit fee, but we can charge inspection fee per state law. Ms. Burke asks what the time frame for compliance is once this is out. Mr. Barry mentions we will probably send out letters to owners. See attached draft updates. Mr. Mandon states he recommends AHU (Accessory Housing Unit) not be added to town code as it has lots of problems. The occupant must be related to primary structure, how do you differentiate a duplex property in a residential zone, can not exceed 25% of living space of primary structure. The established of an AHU must not result in establishment of zoning ordinance. Main problem is the impact on single family zone. After much discussion on ADU and AHU Mr. Albrecht-Mallinger and Mr. Mandon will work on updating that section for next meeting to go over and make a recommendation for town council.

Update from Town Council

Update from Attorney

Board Comments

Public Comments

Adjournment

Mr. Bugajski a motion to adjourn, Ms. Burke seconded.

Motion passed 7-0.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-2.9, this meeting was livestreamed to youtube.com/@porterindiana. A recording of the livestream will remain publicly available for a minimum of ninety (90) days following the date of the meeting. Meeting agendas, minutes, and any memoranda, may be viewed at townofporter.in.gov

Rob Albrecht-Mallinger, President

Tara Duffie, Vice-President

Lewis Craig, Fire Chief

Brian Bugajski, Park Director

James Eriksson

James Burge

Mary Burke

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