

City of Oglesby, IL Plan Commission - Minutes
Wednesday, September 2, 2026, 6:00pm
City Hall

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PUBLIC HEARING

- I. Call to Order**
 - A. Chair, Kyle Videgar, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
- II. Roll Call**
 - A. **Attendees:** L. Carrico, M. Duttlinger, D. Peters, K. Videgar, S. Zavsza, R. Mente, A. Partridge, City Attorney: Patrick Barry
 - B. **Absent:** A. Arthur, R. Greening, K. Watson
 - C. Quorum
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Previous Minutes**
 - A. None
- V. Comments On Agenda Items Only**
 - A. None
- VI. Old Business**
 - A. None
- VII. New Business:**
 - A. ***Election of a secretary***
 1. Motion made to nominate Angie Partridge as secretary
Second by Dave Peters
Ayes: Carrico, Duttlinger, Peters, Videgar, Mente, Partridge, Zavsza
Nays: None
 - B. ***KEI proposal***

Presentation given by Mike Huneke from Knobelsdorff Electric, Inc (KEI). Presentation included the details of a partnership with Evolve Foundation to launch a training program in the existing Oglesby facility. The program would include Monday-Thursday training in which the participants would stay overnight Sunday-Wednesday. KEI preferred overnight accommodations would include a new building structure on the existing KEI property. It will also include the installation of solar panels on KEI property for training purposes only (not connected to the grid). This part of the project would need an additional special use application.

Presentation given by Jacqueline McLaughlin from Evolve Foundation with more details about the Evolve Foundation role including the screening, interviewing and selection of candidates to participate in the training program.

Advisory report given by Zoning Administrator, Jim Clinard. The report included the history of the KEI proposal and prior planning discussions with KEI representatives and City of Oglesby building inspector, Burton Lavens. An agreement was determined for the next steps would be to

- (1) Submit a request for the Plan Commission to amend the Land Development Code to include a boarding facility in M1 zoning.
- (2) Special Use Permit application for construction of a boarding facility.

The report also addressed if the proposed training program were to end, the new structure proposed as a boarding facility would have to be converted to a storage or additional use other than overnight accommodations.

VIII. Public Comment

- A. Multiple public commenters had questions and comments about safety, lack of a broader public notification, and long-term reuse concerns.

IX. Action Items

- A. KEI Proposal

Motion made by Angie Partridge, second by Mark Duttlinger to table and revisit at the next meeting on Wednesday, September 9, 2026 with expanded notice to the public and decision on the Land Development code text amendment.

Ayes: Carrico, Duttlinger, Peters, Videgar, Mente, Partridge, Zavsza

Nays: None

X. Zoning Administrator Report

1. Alley vacate request (Plan Commission Public Hearing scheduled 9/9/2026)
2. Second request for a minor sub in the business district of downtown (future Plan Commission meeting consideration)
3. Zoning Board of Appeals request for design variance

XI. Next Meeting Date and Time:

- A. Wednesday, September 9, 2026, 6:00pm Public Hearing at City Hall

XII. Adjournment:

7:47pm Motion made by Angie Partridge, second by Bob Mente

Ayes: Carrico, Duttlinger, Peters, Videgar, Mente, Partridge, Zavsza

Nays: None

Prepared by: Angela Partridge on September 4, 2026.