

HAVEN PLANNING COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS
REGULAR MEETING
January 13, 2026

Present: Mark Robinson, Don Ford, Nanette Unruh and Tony Lane
Others: Andrea Williams, Charles Arndt, Scott Goble (via Teams video)

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by Unruh, followed by the flag salute.
No additions were made to the agenda.

The minutes from March 11, 2025, were approved with a motion from Ford and a second from Lane. The motion carried 4-0.

Public Hearing for Special Use Permit: C.B. Showalter to allow Verizon construction of a 295-foot unmanned communications facility

After Unruh began the Public Hearing at 7:12p, Building Inspector Charles Arndt gave a run-down of the plans that have been submitted by Verizon for the construction of a cell tower. Arndt said he has reviewed what is in the building plans and approves of what is proposed. Goble spoke up that Verizon's current tower lease on the Panhandle Eastern property will expire in March of 2026. Verizon though they had an alternative location just to the west of the proposed tower, but after some inquiry, the tower would be too close to the pipeline easement. So, this proposed location is the alternate site. Arndt asked Goble if the tower would come in in sections. Goble affirmed, that once the base is complete the "stacking" of the tower generally takes 2-3 weeks. Goble also mentioned that the new tower would allow other phone carriers to place antennas on this tower as it is set up to hold up to 4 antennas. Ford inquired what the length of the lease with Mr. Showalter was. The answer was 25 years from Goble. Goble also mentioned he has been doing this work of proposed cell tower sights for over 25 years, and he tries to be very consensus of surrounding homes and other buildings when picking the proposed sites.

Williams explained that Mr. Showalter's property is zoned Agriculture and Country Home and the reason the permittee is seeking a Special Use Permit is due to the tower exceeding the height restrictions of that Article of the Zoning Code.

With no one in the audience to give Public Comment, at 7:22p Unruh closed the Public Hearing and shortly thereafter Lane made a motion to recommend to the City Council the approval of the Special Use Permit to allow construction of a 295-foot unmanned communications facility – cell tower at the northeast corner of Kent Rd and Arlington Rd. Robinson seconded that motion and the motion passed 4-0.

This item will be heard at the January 20th City Council meeting for Council consideration.

Annual Appointment of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

Ford motioned to keep Nanette Unruh as the Planning Commission Chairperson. Robinson seconded and with a 4-0 vote, Unruh will remain in her role as Chairperson.

Next, Lane motioned to continue to have Don Ford remain as Vice-Chairperson. Unruh seconded and the motion carried with four yes votes.

At 7:30PM, Robinson moved and Lane seconded for adjournment. The motion carried 4-0.

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