MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2012 MEETING NEW CASTLE BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

Members present: Don Tichenor, Vice Chr. Dave Barker, VBM Christian Miller, VBM Debbie Brammer, VBM Dave Copenhaver, Brd Atty Aaron Davis, Sec. Anita Abrell, Clerk Janet Davis, Trainee

Members absent: Josh Estelle, Chr.

The New Castle Board of Zoning Appeals met on Thursday, December 13, 2012 in the City Council Chambers. Vice Chairman Don Tichenor called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. He explained the procedures to follow during the meeting to those in attendance.

The minutes of the November 8, 2012 meeting were reviewed and approved with Debbie Brammer making the motion, second by Christian Miller & the motion carried.

The only request on the agenda was BZA-15-12 by Pinnacle Towers Acquisition LLC, DBA: Crown Castle seeking a special exception variance to break the height restriction for additional work on the cell tower at 2505 I Ave. Mona Couch & Dave Baker of Crown Castle were in attendance at the meeting and spoke about their request. They want to increase the height of the tower from 227' to 242'.

Building Commissioner Aaron Davis asked if the footers were deep enough to support the additional height of the structure. Mr. Baker said they were but a structural analysis would be done and provided to the city prior to the permits being obtained. Mr. Baker was also asked if this issue comes up often, and he replied that Crown Castle has 1400 sites in Indiana and only 6 or 7 have had to have extensions.

Voting board members marked their ballot sheets and Vice Chairman Tichenor announced the following decision. BZA-15-12 was granted by a vote of 4 to 0 with 1 voting members being absent.

There were no more requests on the agenda, however Mr. Tichenor reported that the city is still receiving complaints on parking issues at the Daycare business at 1401 Illinois St. Brief discussion followed and Mr. Copenhaver, City Attorney, stated he would send her a letter. Chairman Tichenor made a motion to adjourn, second by Dave Barker and the meeting was adjourned at 7:25PM

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Abrell, Clerk New Castle Board of Zoning Appeals