

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES
Regular Meeting
March 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: The March 6, 2018, Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Brummette at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Brummette, Commissioners Bly, Snyder, Clarke, Rosier, Hoy and Leeser.

ABSENT: Commissioner Harag and Council member Bahmer.

ALSO PRESENT: City Clerk Terpstra and Community Development Director Myrkle.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
Motion by Commissioner Leeser, second by Bly to approve the minutes of January 9, 2018 as presented. Carried. 7 Yes. 0 No.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
Motion by Commissioner Rosier, second by Bly to approve the agenda as presented. Carried. 7 Yes. 0 No.

EARLY PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE FIREWORKS – MEIJER -1167 E. CLINTON TRAIL:

Public Hearing Opened: 7:05 P.M.

Chuck Friese, TNT Fireworks, stated that they were seeking approval to sell fireworks at Meijer parking lot, 1167 E. Clinton Trail, same location as in past years. This is a fund raiser for the New Hope Community Church.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:06 P.M.

B. ACTION CONDITIONAL USE – MEIJER -1167 E. CLINTON TRAIL:

Commissioner Snyder moved, supported by Clarke to approve the conditional use to permit the sale of fireworks at Meijer, 1167 E. Clinton Trail, from June 21, 2018 to July 5, 2018. Carried. 7 Yes. 0 No.

C. PUBLIC HEARING – CONDITIONAL USE FIREWORKS – WAL-MART -1680 PACKARD HWY.:

Public Hearing Opened: 7:07 P.M.

Chuck Friese, TNT Fireworks, stated that they were seeking approval to sell fireworks at Wal-Mart parking lot, 1680 Packard Hwy., same location as in past years. This is also a fund raiser for the New Hope Community Church.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:09 P.M.

D. ACTION- CONDITIONAL USE – WAL-MART -1680 PACKARD HWY:

Commissioner Bly moved, supported by Snyder to approve the conditional use to permit the sale of fireworks at Wal-Mart, 1680 Packard Hwy., from June 21, 2018 to July 5, 2018. Carried. 7 Yes. 0 No.

E. PUBLIC HEARING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT – CHAPTER 82-454 ACCESSORY BUILDINGS:

Public Hearing opened: 7:10 P.M.

Community Development Director Myrkle, explained that the City Council has shown interest in changing this ordinance as it relates to RV Parking so a change to the existing ordinance has been drafted for consideration. It is intended to give residents more options for parking these types of vehicles. The required public hearing for these changes is being

held before the Planning Commission.

Ned Dills, 220 Prairie, spoke of concerns about clarification on some of the items included in the draft. He suggested changing (E) 1 from 20 feet to 24 feet. Under Item (E) 3 he has concerns with the side yard setbacks.

Jerry Anderson, 530 Prairie, stated concerns on how this ordinance would be enforced. He stated the current ordinance is not being enforced. He feels we need to clean up what we have now. He questioned the definition of improved surface.

Clerk Terpstra, read into the minutes correspondence from **Gene Conley**, 104 Kensington Ct., asking for clear, concise and enforceable language if a new ordinance is drafted. The letter was read into the record.

Public Hearing Closed: 7:21 P.M.

Commissioner Rosier asked who is going to enforce this and how is it going to be done.

Commissioner Bly questioned how satellite dishes would be handled in front yards and suggested taking them out.

Commissioner Snyder asked if with the change anyone with a motor home could park on their cement drive.

Community Development Director Myrkle stated yes that was the heart of the change.

No other comments were made.

REPORTS, COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE:

STAFF REPORT:

Chairman Brummette reminded commissioners that the meetings are

recorded. He stated that the cross talk between commissioners needs to be addressed to the public and that the videos are kept permanently. They are not erased. He reminded that the conduct of the meetings need to be done in a professional manner. He stated that the clerk prefers the record be addressed through the chairman. He stated that he would ask for everyone's help with following Robert's Rules to move the meetings along fluently.

LATE PUBLIC COMMENT: **Community Development Director Myrkle**, explained how the audio processing software for the meetings works. He stated that when someone is quiet the software makes them louder and when someone is loud it makes them quieter.

Commissioner Leeser asked if the antenna rules could be placed outside of the parts pertaining to the accessory buildings.

Chairman Brummette stated that he briefly attended Youth Appreciation ceremony at CPAC which was full of students in the community being recognized for their achievements and he congratulated all of them.

There being no further business, Commissioner Bly, supported by Snyder moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Ginger Terpstra, City Clerk, CMMC