

City of Plainwell
Planning Commission Minutes
July 6, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairperson Lubic.

Roll Call: present Denise Siegel, Steele, Higgs, Lubic, Haas, Sausaman absent: Weaver (excused) Slinkman (excused)

Approval of 6/15/16 minutes Motion for approval by Higgs support by Steele with the following corrections: under New Business A) Date for approval should be *22nd* not 2nd. & Higgs *Moved* not motioned. On voice vote motion passed.

Chairman's Report: there was no chairman's report

New Business:

- A) Request to set public hearing to rezone 130 Oak & 139 Mariette St. From M2 (Manufacturing District) to R1C Residential & 2 family). Higgs voiced concern about possible contamination of the sites which had been site of the Lawrence Plating before removal of building. Discussion followed about the need for a residentially clean site before changing the zoning of the property. After much discussion Higgs recommended setting a public hearing of August 3rd @ 7:01 IF the commission received testing results for both ground and ground water showing them to be at residential clean status by next meeting July 20th 7:00. Without clean reports rezoning will not move forward. Steele supported. Motion carried.
- B) Election of officers: Denise at this time took control of the meeting and opened the floor for nominations. Higgs motioned to reelect the current slate of officers for another term. Motion carried. Denise closed the nominations and returned the meeting to Lubic.

Old Business:

A) Plainwell City Master Plan Final Draft Review: Denise told the commissioners that all corrections had been completed and maps updated. There was some discussion that the adult foster care on N. Main had been zoned as part multi and part single residential. Both areas should be zoned as multi. Steele motioned and Higgs supported to recommendation to City Council to send Draft of Master Plan out for the 42 day review period. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Staff Comments:

Denise Siegel reported there is an article in THE REVIEW MML that she and Erik wrote about the Mill. She will email copies to everyone. Plainwell Diner bought the bait shop next door to expand their business. The marquee for the Sun Theater will not be put back up, it was found to be in too much disrepair and a potential danger. Sausaman asked if anyone knew what had happen to the marquee. There will now be a Farmers Market one Saturday a month to test the market. On July 29th & 30th there will be MUSIC TRAILS & SIDE-WALK SALES on Friday the 30th there will be a large variety of music through out the town and blowout sidewalk sales on Saturday the 30th.

Commissioners Comments:

Sausaman announced the upcoming Battle of the Bigs on Thursday July 14th @ 4:00p.m. till finished. This is a competition between linemen, in the past about 10 schools have participated.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:34

Respectfully Submitted

Chris Haas