

**CITY OF PLAINWELL
MINUTES
Planning Commission
May 4, 2016**

1. Vice –Chair Sausaman called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
3. Roll Call: Present: Chris Haas, Chris Slinkman, Lori Steele, & Gary Sausaman.
Absent: Diana Lubic (7:06) Jim Higgs & Carol Weaver (excused).
4. Approval of Minutes – 4/6/16:
A motion by Steele supported by Haas to approve the 4/6/16 meeting minutes as presented. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.
5. Chairperson’s Report:
None.
6. New Business:
A. Maxwell Dillivan, of LSL Planning gave the attached presentation on the progress for the updating of the City of Plainwell Master Plan. Several Commissioners had suggestions and corrections. Commissioner Slinkman questioned the 43% renter occupied statistic, he was concerned that it was too high. Commissioner Sausaman expressed concerns about the future land use map and that the commercial property includes all the property along M-89 west of Warrant Street. Clerk Farmer stated that there is a strip of property that is zoned residential that buffers Warrant Street and the commercial property. It was decided that the commissioners will send their comments to Denise and she will compile the list and send it to LSL for the next draft.
7. Old Business:
None
8. Public Comment:
None
9. Reports and Communications:
Accepted the 3/14/16, 3/28/16 & 4/11/16 Council Minutes.
10. Staff Comments:
None.

11. Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Haas reported that the Memorial Day parade is at 11am on May 30th. The First Presbyterian Church is having a free concert on May 8th at 5pm.

Lubic apologized for being late. She stated that the Seminal she attended concerned how to increase housing stock.

Slinkman congratulated the Conklin Family on Jack being drafted into the NFL. He voiced his frustration with the traffic congestion on 131 caused by the 106th bridge construction.

12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41pm.

Minutes submitted by
Noreen A. Farmer
City Clerk