

**City of Plainwell**  
**Planning Commission Minutes**  
**June 15, 2016**

Meeting was called to order at 7:01 by Chairperson Lubic.

Roll Call: present Steele, Slinkman, Higgs, Lubic, Haas, Weaver, Sausaman absent: none

Approval of 5/4/16 minutes Motion for approval by Sausaman support by Slinkman on voice vote motion passed ( later in meeting Lubic noted that in the minutes under #11 she had attended a seminar not a seminal.)

Chairman's Report: there was no chairman's report but Lubic did note that the current agenda was dated incorrectly as June 10th and should be June 15th.

New Business: Plainwell City Master Plan—final draft.

- A) Denise Siegel reported that all corrections by commissioners had been made and noted that the city was hoping for the an Aug. 2nd date for approval after the 42 day review period. There was much discussion about the maps both current and future use maps in particular as there seemed to be many errors and discrepancies. Higgs motioned and Sausaman supported that the maps be reviewed and replaced. On a voice vote motion carried. Lubic requested that Higgs & Sausaman review the maps for accuracy.
- B) Lubic mentioned the amount of typos that she had found which needed to be corrected. As the conversation continued it was discovered that the commissioners had not been given the correct version of the master plan to review. The Planning Commission will revisit the Master Plan final draft at a later date.
- C) Lubic requested that the blue boxes within the Master Plan that describe planning values we use, be put together in a one page document for Commissioners to use as a separate tool.

Old Business: none

Public Comments: Boy Scout Gordy Hueschen 222 N. Sherwood was attending as a requirement for his Communication Badge a prerequisite to a camping trip. He asked questions of the commission on what it does, how to become a commissioner, the term length,

Mike Hueschen asked who he should speak to about the ownership of the property which he cares for as part of his yard that the railroad tracks had ran through previously. Car show participants were being told to park on this property. It was recommended that he speak with someone at city hall.

Staff Comments: Denise Siegel reported that W. Bridge St. paving is complete, the 2016 Festival is over, The White Owl Shoppe had its grand opening & ribbon cutting on June 2nd. RWE Healthy Living and Point 2 Studio would be having their ribbon cutting the next day.

Commissioners Comments:

Sausaman congratulated the Plainwell Bus Drivers on their 1st place in the Allegan County Bus Rodeo. Lori Steele described the various events that require much skill on the part of the drivers.

Higgs asked about the grant money the city received from the Anna R Pipp Foundation to rebuild the old jail. The city is does plan to rebuild but has not located a spot with adequate space for the building.

Slinkman thanked the Festival Committee for this year's festival.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34

Respectfully Submitted

Chris Haas