

MINUTES Newaygo City Planning Commission June 20, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Chambers called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at City Hall located at 28 State Road, Newaygo MI 49337

Roll Call: Present: Chambers, R. Faulkner, Fetterley, Hikade, Kroll, Looman, Westcott, Williams Absent: Wight Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary

Motion by Hikade, second by Williams to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Kroll, second by R. Faulkner to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by R. Faulkner, second by Westcott to approve 05/14/19 meeting minutes. AIF/MC

RESERVED TIME

Motion by Hikade, second by Kroll at 6:33 pm to open public hearing to discuss and take comment on request by the United Church of Christ to amend the City of Newaygo's Zoning Ordinance to allow a portion of parcel #62-19-19-403-002 to be rezoned from R1 to R3 (single family to multi-family). AIF/ MC Lindsay Hager, Consultant for United Church of Christ (UCC), was present and updated board and answered questions. He stated that UCC has been approved for a property split of this parcel and is proposing to develop apartments on back (south) portion of parcel. The next step would be for UCC to hire an architect, look at budget, have a density study done and review rent structure. Hager said UCC's goal is to keep rent as low as possible. He stated most of the funding will come from the church. Board asked questions related to: size of apartments, number of apartments, ownership, number of stories and access to apartments which Hager answered. Board commented on UCC commitment to the community, ideal location for Walkability and the need for housing. Motion by R. Faulkner, second by Looman at 6:49 pm to close public hearing. AIF/MC

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Motion by Hikade, second by Kroll to recommend approval of request by United Church of Christ to allow portion of parcel #62-19-19-403-002 to be rezoned from R1 to R3 (single family to multi-family), sending it forward to City Council for final approval. Roll call: <u>Yeas:</u> Chambers, R. Faulkner, Fetterley, Hikade, Kroll, Looman, Westcott, Williams <u>Absent:</u> Wight <u>Nay:</u> None
- Scott Faulkner, Economic and Community Development Coordinator (ECDC), discussed information in packets explaining various NEDO project updates. He discussed a planting tree initiative, status of

suspension bridge project, Stream Operations and gave an update on two developers that will be presenting ideas to the City. Faulkner discussed a possible housing study that he is researching. Faulkner and Schneider gave an update on meeting and visit to Christian Healthcare Center regarding a possible site in Newaygo.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susie Rodriguez, representing Senator Bumstead, introduced herself and stated she has been attending meetings throughout the county.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Schneider gave an update on MAC's proposed silo stating they placed the silo at one of their other locations in a different city. He stated that the downtown Façade project has begun and work is being done at Market 41 at 41 State Rd. and work should begin in coming weeks at North Wood General Store at 38 State Rd.
- Hikade stated that the Newaygo Fire Department is looking for a new fire chief, discussed fire pumper trucks and stated they are working to increase number of firefighters for the department.

Motion by Hikade, second by Williams to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 pm. AIF/MC

Secretary-Mike Hikade