



MINUTES
Newaygo City Planning Commission
September 8, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

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

Roll Call: Present: Chambers, Fedell, Francis, Wight,
Absent: DeVries, Faulkner, Williams
Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight to approve 06/09/2022 meeting minutes. AIF/MC

BOARD BUSINESS

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight to approve site plans for a Saw Dust Retention Silo at 531 Clay Street- GM Wood Products. AIF/MC Tyler Huntley, GM Wood Products Plant Manager, was present and stated that GM Wood Products would like to install a saw dust retention silo. He said that this would be a more sustainable system than their current system. Huntley said that their current system is full in approximately 45 minutes and the new system would be full in approximately 24 hours. He discussed the location of the dust retention silo and said that there would not be any additional noise as the current blower would be utilized for the new dust retention silo. Schneider said that the dust retention silo meets all City Zoning requirements.

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight at 6:37 pm to open public hearing to discuss and take comments on request by Timberland Equipment to allow for an outdoor storage area and an outdoor display of equipment at 8003 S. Mason Dr., Parcel #62-18-25-200-042. AIF/MC Tom and Tim Frisbie, Timberland Equipment owners, were present and discussed the proposed outdoor storage area at 8003 S. Mason Dr. They discussed the outdoor area behind the new building stating that would be used for equipment repairs waiting to be picked up by customers. They said that they will be moving everything from their current location to the new location and that a few new pieces of new equipment would be showcased outside in the front of the new building during business hours. Motion by Fedell, second by Wight at 6:45 pm to close the public hearing. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Francis to recommend to City Council the approval for a special land use to allow for an outdoor storage area and outdoor display of equipment at 8003 S. Mason Dr. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Francis to approve site plans for event space and to hold the winter Farmer's Market at 12 Quarterline-Heritage Museum of Newaygo County. AIF/MC Steven Radtke, Director of Heritage Museum of Newaygo County, was present and said that the museum will continue to function as a public county museum, but with the new additional space at the museum they would like to partner with the River Country Chamber of Commerce to host the Farmer's Market in the museum from approximately October 1st through December 2nd, and also rent out conference rooms and main

exhibit area for events of up to approximately 200 people. Radtke stated that a large percent of funding for the museum is related to museum attendance and the added exposure would help with museum attendance levels. He discussed parking and loading/unloading areas for the Farmer's Market. Ramona Deters, Newaygo Farmer's Market Coordinator, was present and said that this would be the first indoor market in the County and that the Farmer's Market would be adjusting their hours to coincide with the museum hours.

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight at 6:59 pm to open public hearing to discuss and take comments on Zoning Ordinance to amend Chapter 4 entitled "Nonconforming Lots, Uses, and Structures." AIF/MC Schneider discussed recommended changes to Chapter 4 of the Zoning Ordinance entitled "Nonconforming Lots, Uses, and Structures" and said that a version was included in the packets showing the recommended changes. Motion by Fedell, second by Francis at 7:03 to close the public hearing. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, second by Wight to recommend to City Council amending Chapter 4 entitled "Nonconforming Lots, Uses, and Structures" of the Zoning Ordinance as listed in packets. AIF/MC Schneider said that MDOT is working on the final punch list from the M37 project that occurred last year. He said that the County has requested bids for a Timber Sale and he hopes that the Disc Golf Course can be completed after timbering is completed in the spring or early summer of 2023. Schneider said that he and the mayor are still working on the potential Town Square Project and that environmental work is still being done at the location. He said that the Chamber has ordered products and material for the Social District and that Brookhaven Estates is adding 44 additional sites finishing their entire project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD COMMENTS

Motion by Francis, second by Fedell to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 pm. AIF/MC

Secretary-Sandy Williams