

MINUTES Newaygo City Planning Commission October 6, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Fedell called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo, MI 49337.

Roll Call: Present: DeVries, Faulkner, Fedell, Williams, Wight

Absent: Chambers, Francis

Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Williams, second by Wight to approve 09/22/2022 special meeting minutes. AIF/MC

BOARD BUSINESS

Motion by Faulkner, second by Williams at 6:33 pm to open public hearing to discuss and take comments on request by Michigan Agricultural Commodities (MAC), 103 W Water St., to install a grain silo approximately 110' tall at a reduced setback of approximately 50'. AIF/MC Schneider stated that MAC had made this request and received approval in the past, but the permit expired as they had not started the installation of the grain silo. Mitchell Murray, representing MAC, was present and stated that this is exactly the same request that was made previously. He said that they had not installed the grain silo due to the cost of steel and are hopeful that the steel prices will go down in the near future. Motion by Williams, second by Wight at 6:35 pm to close the public hearing. AIF/MC

Motion by Wight, second by Faulkner to recommend approval of Special Land Use request by MAC, 103 W. Water St., to install a grain silo approximately 110' tall at a reduced setback of approximately 50'. AIF/MC

Motion by Wight, second by Williams to approve the Planning Commission Annual Report. AIF/MC Schneider stated that the Michigan Planning Enabling Act requires the annual report and said that the Redevelopment Ready Communities (RCC) also required this report to be submitted for the City to receive RCC Essential Status. He said that the Annual Report, that was included in packets, gives an overview on Planning membership, meeting schedule, Master Plan status and what has occurred at the Planning Commission meetings during the past year. He said that the City Council will also receive a copy.

Schneider gave an update on the disc golf course, engineering being done for future water & sewer projects, and town square project. He discussed TIFA Façade Grant Program and said that he has had many inquiries and 1 application submitted. Schneider discussed the RCC Process through MEDC and said he submitted the final paper work last week for the City to have the RCC Essential Status. He explained the benefits of RCC Essentials.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD COMMENTS

Motion by Faulkner, second by DeVries to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 pm. AIF/MC

Secretary-Sandy Williams

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