



MINUTES
Newaygo City Planning Commission
May 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

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

Roll Call: Present: Chambers, DeVries, Faulkner, Fedell, Francis, Wight, Williams
Absent: None
Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary, Amy Dalman: City Code Enforcement Officer

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fedell, second by Faulkner to approve 04/11/2024 meeting minutes. AIF/MC

BOARD BUSINESS

Schneider stated that short-term rentals had been discussed at the April meeting and that he had emailed out several additional short-term rental Ordinances from area communities for the Board to review. He said if the Board was interested in possibly allowing short-term rentals in residential areas he would begin drafting a short-term rental Ordinance. Schneider said that the City is receiving more inquiries from residents about short-term rentals. Board and Schneider discussed:

- Potential location of short-term rentals (residential zones and commercial zones)
- Economic Viability of short-term rentals
- Short-term rental rating system on websites
- Occupancy limits based on size of house
- Limit on number of short-term rentals in the City or specific areas in the City
- Requirement of annual license/fees
- Owner or Manager of short-term rental house needing to be local
- Possibility that short-term rentals are already occurring in the City without City knowledge
- Short-term rentals vs. long-term rentals in the City
- Neighbors signing off on short-term rental being located in their neighborhood

Schneider stated that the process of drafting an Ordinance will take time and may need multiple revisions.

Motion by Faulkner, second by Francis to have Schneider begin working on a “draft” short-term rental Ordinance. Roll Call: Yeas: Chambers, DeVries, Faulkner, Francis, Williams Nay: Fedell, Wight Absent: None

Motion by Fedell, second by Williams to not make any changes at this time to the City Master Plan stating that the plan is still relevant. AIF/MC Schneider stated that they had discussed the Master Plan at the

April Meeting and that the consensus of the Board at that time was that the Master Plan was still relevant.

Schneider gave updates on numerous projects from list included in packets.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD COMMENTS

Motion by Williams, second by Wight to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. AIF/MC

Secretary-Sandy Williams