

Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
April 26, 2012

1. Meeting Called to Order by Mr. Most at 7:00 P.M.
2. Roll Call
 - a. Roll taken by Clark. Riemer, Clark, Dean, Tracy, Allers, and Most were present. Whipkey was absent.
3. Pledge to the Flag.
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. A Motion was made by Tracy to approve the Minutes as presented. The Motion was supported by Allers. A voice vote was taken. The minutes were approved unanimously. Whipkey was absent.
5. Public Comment
 - a. No Public Comment was received.
6. New Business
 - a. Mackinaw Fudge Company – Site Plan Review, 2012-SP-014

Mr. Beavers presented revised plans (Plan B) submitted by Mr. Lieghio on the morning of April 26, 2012.

Concern was expressed about creating unsafe conditions at the site. Discussion of the revised site plans included questions on the turning radius required to safely utilize the right angle parking and the narrow parking spots proposed. The feasibility and impact of enlarging the window on the west side of the proposed garage to increase the visibility to the West for drivers attempting back out of the garage was also discussed.

A motion was made by Dean to reject the original proposal (Plan A) and to approve the revised plans (Plan B) conditional upon enlargement of the window to the point of the Pancake Chef's north wall to avoid further visual obstruction (The 6" corner support post would remain), and with final review by Village Department Heads and final staff approval.

The Motion was seconded by Allers.

Reimer, Clark, Dean, Tracy, Allers and Most voted in support of the Motion. Whipkey was absent.

7. Old Business
 - a. Discuss Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance

An informal poll was taken by Mr. Most regarding the addition of Campgrounds and Hiking/Biking Trails as areas to be covered by a setback requirement similar to that required for schools and Churches. The response of the Commissions was unanimous in support of such a requirement.

The results of that poll will be supplied to legal council and the map maker to determine the legal and physical implications of such a requirement. They will be invited to a future meeting.

8. Commissioner Comments

Most indicated conversations continue regarding secretarial responsibilities.

Dean updated the Commission on recent Court action involving Medical Marijuana. The Court ruled that possession of a Medical Marijuana Card is not a defense in traffic related issues.

A question was raised on the status of the recently painted business on the North side of Central Avenue. Mr. Beavers stated that the owner has been notified that his building is in violation of the Sign Ordinance as the current paint job is considered to be an extension of their allowable sign area.

The invitation to the tour of the new hospital in St. Ignace on May 2, 2012 was noted.

9. Calendar

Special Meeting: May 10, 2012

Regular Meeting: May 24, 2012

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Dean to adjourn the meeting. It was supported by Tracy. The Voice vote was unanimous in support. Whipkey was absent. The Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Mary Clark, Secretary

Rob Most, Planning Commission Chair