

Village of Mackinaw City
Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
August 23, 2012

1.) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Most at 7:00 pm

2.) Roll Call

Roll was called by Most. Dean, Tracy, Gustafson, Clark, Mann, Heilman, Most were present.

3.) Introduction of New Members

Most welcomed the new members and expressed gratitude for the willingness of former members, Whipkey, Allers, Riemer to spend their time and thought working on long term planning issues.

4.) Pledge to the American Flag

5.) Approval of the Minutes of July 26, 2012

It was noted that: The last date under 9.) Commissioner Calendar should be changed to Sept 27; under 6.) New Business the fourth line should read “approved on appeal”; and under 8.) Commissioner Comments the final line in parenthesis should read “The projected date.”

A motion was made by Heilman to approve the Minutes as corrected. Dean seconded. The Minutes were approved unanimously by voice vote.

6.) Public Comment

None

7.) Old Business

None

8.) New Business

None

9.) Review of Recent Planning Commission Issues

Mr. Beavers indicated he would like to present a review, to bring the new members up to date on some of our current issues.

E.) Mackinaw Crossings Master Sign Plan

This issue was addresses first because Mr. Weir was in attendance.

Mr. Beavers stated that the current system utilizing both the Village Sign Ordinance and the Crossings Master Sign Plan does not work. The intent

of the Village Sign Ordinance and the Crossings Master Sign Plan need to be clarified.

Mr. McFarland presented an overview of the proposed Mackinaw Crossings Mall Master Sign Plan as revised Aug. 17, 2012.

Mr. Beavers stated that he had not completed a review of this proposed plan. He had discussed the issue of the Top Hat Sign with legal counsel. The attorney stated that a Variance was required for both the number of signs and the placement of signs at that site.

Mr. Heilman made a motion to send to the BZA a communication indicating that the Planning Commission concurs with legal counsel advice on how to proceed with the Top Hat sign, and that the Planning Commission believes that these variances should be approved.

The motion was seconded by Mann.

A 5 minute recess was called at 8:35 PM. The meeting was called back to order at 8:40 PM.

A roll call vote was taken by Most. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Beavers then briefly covered the remaining items A thru D.

- A.) Sexually Oriented Businesses
- B.) Signs
- C.) Construction Variances
- D.) Ordinance Changes

10.) Commissioner Comments

None

11.) Commissioner Calendar

- September 13, 2012 - Special Meeting
- September 27, 2012 - Regular Meeting
- October 11, 2012 - Special Meeting
- October 25, 2012 - Regular Meeting

12.) Adjournment

A motion was made by Dean to adjourn.
The motion was seconded by Gustafson.
The motion carried unanimously by a voice vote.
Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM.

Mary Clark, Secretary
Rob Most, Chairman