

## READING PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF READING      February 11, 2019

Chad called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Reading City Hall. Present: Chad Penney, Warren Bartels, Betty Blount, Emma Everett, and Chuck Hartshorn. Absent: Christine Gollnick. Also present: Ben Wheeler and guest Chris Clabaugh. Betty made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve the January minutes. Motion carried 5-0. The agenda was accepted as presented.

NEW BUSINESS: There was discussion about the sign for The Happiest Camper at 112 South Main Street concerning whether the sign should include a phone number and website information. The consensus was not to include that information on the sign, but display it on the front door or window. The colors suggested were white and green lettering on a black background. A picture of a camper is also included as a logo on the sign. Emma made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve the colors and design then as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

A conflict of interest concern was brought to our attention concerning the status of Planning Commission Chairperson also being on the City Council. As currently stated in the Planning Commission Bylaws the Chairperson cannot be a member of the City Council. Recently Chad was appointed to the City Council to fill a vacancy there. A brief discussion ensued as to how to handle this. It was the consensus of the commission that we could simply drop the last sentence of section 2.1 of the bylaws restricting this. In checking section 7 about Amendments and changes, it was noted that any rule amended requires all commission members receive at least 3 days prior notice before a meeting where such changes might occur. As such, the commission will put this action item on the agenda for next month.

There was some general sharing of information concerning the MMFLA/MRTMA Act and possible effects with the city. MRTMA is a newer acronym for Mi Reg. Tax Marihuana Act. It may require City Council to look at adjustments to help streamline processes. Areas of concern to watch could be tax issues, banking issues, licensing, among other possible complications.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 11.

OLD BUSINESS: Concerning the commission's Annual Work Program, it was felt our focus should be solely on reviewing and revising the Master Plan in 2019 in preparation for printing a new document in 2020. Our current document is dated 2000. While some parts may be ok, many areas need updating.

Compliance permits have been issued to:

National Gas & Oil, 603 S. Main Street, for a new sign,

Rosonski, 103 E. Lincoln, for a porch, garage, and fence.

At 8:04 Chuck made a motion, seconded by Emma, to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0.