READING PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF READING

September 18, 2017

Present: Christine Gollnick, Warren Bartels, Chuck Hartshorn, Emma Everett, Betty Blount. Absent: Chad Penney. Also present: Ben Wheeler, Thor Alwood, and Nancy Meade. Vice Chair Chris called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at Reading City Hall. Chuck made a motion, seconded by Emma, to approve the July minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Chris closed the regular meeting and opened the Public Hearing to consider paint choices at 119/125 S. Main Street within the Historic Overlay District at 7:06. Nancy was here to represent Mr. Galinski and answer any questions concerning the paint and the property. She presented 3 top choices selected for consideration. The commission was ok with all 3 choices. Chris closed the Public Hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 7:12. Warren made a motion, seconded by Betty, to approve any of the 3 gray shade choices presented. Motion carried 5-0.

Thor was present to present an idea of a "Greetings from Reading" wall mural painting somewhere within town. The cost of the mural would be underwritten by some local citizens. There was discussion as to a possible and best location within town. The commission was amenable to the idea. Further details need to be developed and a proposal made for consideration at a Public Hearing, probably to be held sometime in October if it is to be accomplished this year.

OLD BUSINESS: Solar Farm/Alternative Energy consideration—land use requirements were reviewed. Reading Township's draft was shared. Members are to review it before the next meeting. Consider any adjustments that might be needed for our purposes and the desirability of adopting an ordinance recommendation for the city.

Michigan Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act (PA 281 of 2016)--Ben shared two sample ordinances for our consideration. Members are to review these prior to the next meeting as a timeline comes into play if any recommended action is considered.

Chuck shared a possible timeline recommendation of a timeline review of the city's Master Plan, which is one of our goals. We will need to work with it in the future as time allows.

Compliance permits issued: none.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2017. Betty made a motion, seconded by Emma, to adjourn at 8:45. Motion carried 5-0.