

READING PLANNING COMMISSION

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September 24, 2012

Present: Christine Gollnick, Warren Bartels, Dale Cook, Chuck Hartshorn, Betty Blount. Absent: Chad Penney, Cyrus Cooper, Emma Everett, Mary Jo Pattie.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. at Reading City Hall by Chris. Warren read the May minutes. Chuck made a motion, seconded by Betty, to approve the minutes. Motion carried 5-0. There was no meeting in July. Our agenda was accepted as presented.

Old Business: Chad was not here to discuss sidewalks. Chris said they talked about stretches where there are none, and where some need to be replaced. Connecting up around the school areas should probably be considered first.

Municipal Parking Committee report: Chuck reported that they are trying to work with the owners of apartments. They should be using some of their off-street spots, especially those on the east city side. Landlords need some place to let tenants park. There is still nothing conclusive about other spots. Stickers would acknowledge tenants' rights to use some of the space, especially those that would access the west city lot.

Parking signs for city streets: this should probably be checked with Tom and Geno from the City as to their thoughts and time constraints. See if they have any input. Maybe this could be done by the November meeting.

New Business: Some review of 2 versions of a Special Assessment Ordinance was done. This needs to be reviewed further and get all members input. Some discussion centered on how to encourage and enable home owners to improve their property, as with paint, windows, sidewalks, etc.

The Commission will request copies of the drafts be sent to absent members for review by the November meeting by Kim. We also need to know if the City has a current such ordinance.

Not available for review was a permit for a fence at 108 Silver Street.

Next meeting: November 26, 2012. Betty made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:10.