

READING PLANNING COMMISSION

CITY OF READING, MI

May 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at Reading City Hall by chairperson, Betty Blount. The meeting was also available via zoom. Members in attendance were Betty Blount, Warren Bartels, Chad Penney, and Chuck Hartshorn. Member absent was Rebecca Matz, unexcused, which is now her third in a row. As per bylaws, we thank her for the service she did give, but now remove her from the Planning Commission membership role. Guests present was Kendra Stump, who will be appointed to the Commission by the City Council and available for the June meeting and Steve Nemeth and his wife. Chad made a motion, seconded by Chuck, to approve the January minutes. Motion carried 4-0. The agenda was accepted as presented. There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS: Master Plan discussion of Reading's Parks and Recreation situation, needs, and sites as per p. 71. Possible development ideas centered on bike and walking trails and a skate park. Discussion centered on a possible trail around the perimeter of the Industrial Park and establishing a recreation area behind the City's pavilion. Chuck shared information about skate parks he had seen. Chad shared some information also. Members are to consider possible development sites around the city and look at other city's governmental Recreational Master Plans if possible.

Master Plan discussion of the Housing Code—considered was whether we would desire an R-3 higher density district designation, as we only have an R-1 and R-2 now. Currently higher density development would fall under our R-2 category. No conclusion was made as of tonight. Chad will look into possible additional ordinance wording. Members are also to consider possible development area designations, most likely somewhere on the west side of town.

A Public CIP Meeting will be held next month.

Our next meeting is scheduled for June 13, 2022.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

PERMITS ISSUED: None.

No further comments from anyone.

Chuck made a motion, seconded by Chad, to adjourn at 8:04. Motion carried 4-0.