

MINUTES FOR PLANNING COMMISSION

A Planning Commission was held on **Thursday, August 25, 2022 at 5:30 PM** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 819 Superior Avenue, Tomah, WI.

Bryan Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bryan Meyer, John Glynn, Eric Prise and Tina Thompson.

Absent: Mike Murray, Brian Rice and Adam Gigous.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Prise, second by Thompson to approve previous months minutes. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing, Section 52-68, to consider the Conditional Use Permit application of Ryan Valentine, to obtain a permit to operate a home business from his residence at 607 East Ave.

Public hearing opened at 5:30 PM. Ryan Valentine took to the podium to discuss his background and security at his residence. Deborah Caudle and Sandra Vinney appeared via zoom. Both residences had concerns with Mr. Valentine receiving the Conditional Use Permit. Mrs. Vinney expressed that she would appeal the permit if it was granted.

Public hearing closed at 5:39 PM.

Discussion and recommendation related to the request from Ryan Valentine to obtain a Conditional Use Permit to operate a home business from his residence at 607 East Ave.

Motion made by Thompson with conditions of no signage, second by Glynn. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing, Sec. 18-129, to consider amendments to land zoned for business or industrial use.

Public hearing opened at 6:03 PM. Ordinance change is to replace building inspector with Plan Commission. There was no public present or on zoom wishing to speak on this topic. Public hearing closed at 6:10 PM.

Discussion and recommendation on ordinance amendment for Sec. 18-129.

Discussion on what is acceptable for a shipping container. Motion was not made on this ordinance amendment until before meeting was adjourned. Motion made by Thompson second by Glynn to approve the amendment. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing, Sec. 8-1 and 8-61, to consider amendments to Definitions and Housing of farm and exotic animals prohibited ordinances.

Public hearing opened at 6:17 PM. No public present or on zoom that wished to speak on this topic. Public hearing closed at 6:12 PM.

Discussion and recommendation on ordinance change for Sec. 8-1 and 8-61, Definitions and Housing of farm and exotic animals prohibited.

Motion made by Prise second by Thompson to approve the changes. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing, to amend Downtown Design Standards volumes 2 and 3 to replace LRPC with Plan Commission.

Public hearing opened at 6:17 PM. Lamont Kiefer was in attendance and wished to speak to the Commission. Mr. Kiefer was curious on the reason behind Plan Commission taking over Downtown Design Standards from LRPC. Thompson stated that she is also on LRPC and that LRPC wants to move towards economic development and trying to rebrand LRPC.

Public hearing closed at 6:27 PM.

Discussion and recommendation for Downtown Design Standards amendments

Motion made by Glynn second by Thompson. All ayes. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Review outdoor facilities ordinance

Outdoor facilities are tied to liquor licenses. Liquor licenses are renewed yearly. Lengthy discussion on requirements and guidelines. Alexandra Matthews and Lamont Kiefer were in attendance to speak on the topic. Shane will bring back changes next month.

B. Comprehensive Plan LRPC and Sub Committee

Discussion on the sub committee and how there are only 2 people on the committee and they would like 5 members. Meyer volunteered to serve on subcommittee. More discussions with the Mayor needed.

C. Discussion and recommendation on Public Participation Plan Adopted by Plan Commission

After discussion motion made by Prise second by Glynn to recommend to adopt the Public Participation Plan.

Next Plan Commission meeting will be September 22, 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Thompson to adjourn at 7:03 PM second by Prise.