



PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M. Tuesday, May 24, 2016
Vicksburg Community Center
101 S Main St
Vicksburg, MI 49097

- I. Call to Order – Chairman Durkee called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
- II. Roll Call -- Present: Members Keller, Newman, Parsons, Hunt and Durkee.
Absent: Members Schimp and Houts. Also present Village Manager Ken Schippers, DDA Director Kathleen Hoyle and Village Attorney Andrew Horne.
- III. Public Hearing -- Ordinance #280 Screening and #218 Site Plan Review
Chairman Durkee opened the Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m. Sue Moore asked the Commission the reasons for the change to the Site Plan Review. Member Newman answered that it was felt the requirements were not clear enough and that with the re-wording the Commission would have better information to render a decision. With there being no further discussion, Motion by Member Keller, supported by Member Newman to close the public hearing at 7:13 p.m..
Roll Call Vote Ayes: (5) Hunt, Keller, Newman, Parsons, Durkee. Nays: 0 Absent: (2) Houts and Schimp. Motion to approve Ordinance #280 Fencing and Screening by Member Keller supported by Member Hunt. Roll Call Vote: Ayes (4) Members Hunt, Keller, Newman and Parsons. Nays: (0). Abstain: (1) Durkee. Absent: (2) Houts and Schimp. Motion to approve Ordinance #218 Site Plan Review by Member Parsons supported by Member Keller. . Roll Call Vote: Ayes (5) Members Hunt, Keller, Newman, Parsons and Durkee. Nays: (0). Absent: (2) Houts and Schimp.
- IV. Other– Andrew Horne spoke to the Commission about the need for change in the enforcement mechanism for municipal civil infractions. It is his recommendation that references to the Municipal Civil Violations Bureau be removed and replaced with a system that allows tighter enforcement
- V. Public Comment – DDA Director Hoyle expressed her dissatisfaction with the pace of Ordinance review. Chairman Durkee reminded her that the membership of the Commission and its meeting schedule only allow for so much to be accomplished in a given period. Member Newman informed her of the newly adopted procedures for Ordinance review, revision and creation. She



stated that she and the DDA would be willing to help in any way possible to expedite the process. John DeBault owner of Rise-n-Dine thanked the Commission for its progress and continuing attention to issues facing the Village.

VI. Adjournment – 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Chris Newman

Acting Secretary

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