

MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
70 Maple Street  
Manistee, MI 49660

MEETING MINUTES  
March 5, 2009

A Meeting of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Yoder

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Linda Albee, Maureen Barry, Dave Crockett, Ray Fortier, Eric Gustad, Tony Slawinski, Roger Yoder

Members Absent: Harlo Haines (excused), Taylor Roberts (Youth Observer), Vacancy

Others: Denise Blakeslee (Planning & Zoning) and Others

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Ray Fortier, seconded by Linda Albee that the Agenda be approved as prepared.

With a roll call vote this motion passed 7 to 0.

Yes: Gustad, Fortier, Slawinski, Barry, Albee, Crockett, Yoder

No: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Planning Commission Meeting of February 5, 2009

MOTION by Linda Albee, seconded by Tony Slawinski that the minutes of the February 5, 2009 Planning Commission Meeting be approved.

With a roll call vote this motion passed 7 to 0.

Yes: Barry, Albee, Crockett, Gustad, Fortier, Slawinski, Yoder

No: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

By Law Review

At the February Worksession the Planning Commission reviewed changes to their By-Laws. Corrections were made and a new draft was prepared for the Commissioners to review. Proposed Changes are as follows:

1. AUTHORITY

These By-laws and Rules of Procedures are adopted by the Planning Commission of the City of Manistee, County of Manistee, (hereinafter referred to as the Commission) pursuant to Public Act 110 of 2006, as amended, the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act; **Public Act 33 of 2008, as amended being the Michigan Planning Enabling Act**, the City of Manistee Zoning Ordinance, and the Public Act 267 of 1976, as amended, the Open Meetings Act.

3.2 **Removal from Office Attendance** ~~A member may be removed from office by the appointing City Council for neglect of official duty or misconduct in office after being given a written statement for reasons and an opportunity to be heard thereon.~~ **The legislative body may remove a member of the planning commission for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office upon written charges and after a public hearing.**

Un-excused absences may **also** be reason for removal and three (3) un-excused absences in a row, shall be reported in writing to the City Manager.

3.11 **Conflict of Interest:** **Before casting a vote on a matter on which a member may reasonably be considered to have a conflict of interest, the member shall disclose the potential conflict of interest to the planning commission. The member is disqualified from voting on the matter if so provided by the bylaws or by a majority vote of the remaining members of the planning commission.**

MOTION by Ray Fortier, seconded by Linda Albee to approve changes to the City of Manistee Planning Commission By-Laws.

With a roll call vote this motion passed 7 to 0.

Yes: Gustad, Barry, Fortier, Slawinski, Albee, Crockett, Yoder  
No: None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**STAFF REPORT:**

Committee meetings need to be scheduled for the Master Plan Review Committee and Ordinance Re-Write Committee.

**MEMBERS DISCUSSION:**

Commissioner Gustad and Crockett had their meeting with the Beach Plan Review Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION by Tony Slawinski, seconded by Rau Fortier that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:09 P.M.

MANISTEE PLANNING COMMISSION

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Denise J. Blakeslee, Recording Secretary