

MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

70 Maple Street
P.O. Box 358
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MEETING MINUTES

January 1995

The regular meeting of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on January 5, 1995 at 7:00 PM in the City Council Chambers at City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman, R. Yoder.

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Bauman, R. Franckowiak, J. Gavlinski
K. Harless, D. Johnson, R. Yoder

MEMBERS ABSENT: J. Lakos, A. Slawinski

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Picardat (City Development Office)
Jon Rose (City Code Administrator)
Denise Jensen (City of Manistee)
Jake Kowalski (News Advocate)
A. Periard

NEW MEMBER:

Chairman R. Yoder welcomed Kristie Harless to the Planning Commission.

PUBLIC HEARING:

There was no public hearing on the agenda.

SITE PLAN REVIEWS:

There was no site plan review on the agenda.

CITIZEN QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:

There were no public questions or comments expressed at the meeting.

MINUTES:

It was moved by D. Johnson, supported by R. Franckowiak, that the minutes of the November 3, 1994 meeting be approved. The motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Sign Ordinance - Ron Bauman reviewed a change in the response to Downtown Merchants Committee comments on the draft Sign Ordinance which have been received from Tom Amor. The change addressed a new requirement that nonconforming signs be removed if the business is inactive for one year. It was

moved by J. Gavlinski, supported by R. Franckowiak, to approve the change. The motion passed unanimously. Jon Rose will transmit the responses to Tom Amor for information.

High Risk Erosion - Jon Rose reported that a meeting is scheduled for January 18, 1995 to continue preparation of a change to the Zoning Ordinance.

Donated Property - The Phoenix Petroleum Co. has donated lots 84, 85,86 and the West 1/2 of lot 87 in the Reitz Park Addition to the City. The City has requested input from the Planning Commission regarding the best use for the property. Following a general discussion of possible uses, it was moved by D. Johnson, supported by J. Gavlinski that "The property be offered for sale by the City at current market value, and if it has not been sold after one year it should be donated to Habitat For Humanity". The motion passed unanimously.

CITY UPDATE:

Dale Picardat provided the following City update: a grant has been obtained for Riverfront Park (Riverwalk East), sewer work and related street repair will be starting soon in the First and Maple Street area, restoration work is underway at the Ramsdell Theatre, metal sign posts of a design similar to the street lamps have been ordered for the downtown area to replace the existing wooden posts, and downtown street signage will be reduced by moving parking signs to downtown "entrance" locations. Jon Rose advised that the first LIS Committee meeting will be held on January 26 at 7PM in the Council Chambers.

D.D.A. REPORT:

Dale Picardat reported that the proposed overhead sign at River and Cypress to identify the Historic District has been rejected by MDOT. He also discussed DDA funding of the new Riverfront Park.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS REPORT:

There was no meeting during the past month.

SITE PLAN REVIEW/HISTORIC OVERLAY COMMITTEE REPORT:

J. Gavlinski reported on Committee preparation of Historic District guidelines. Jon Rose briefed the Commission on reviews and approvals which were made by his office during the past month.

ORDINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT:

There was no meeting during the last month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. A. Periard appeared before the Commission to discuss plans to build a storage facility in Manistee. He has an option to

purchase land on Cypress Street across from Denny's Auto Repair subject to Zoning approval. Although he did not have a site plan, Mr. Periard described his proposed facility in detail. Other possible locations within the City were discussed. None of the locations, including the one on Cypress Street are in areas currently Zoned for storage buildings. For that reason it was decided to hold a work session on January 19, 1995 to explore the merits of additional storage and possible Zoning Ordinance changes. A public hearing on the matter was scheduled for the next regular Planning Commission meeting in February.

Election of officers - The following officers were elected for 1995:

Chairman - R. Yoder
Vice Chairman - D. Johnson
Secretary - R. Bauman

Committee assignments for 1995 were made as shown on the attachment to these minutes.

WORK SESSION:

There was no work session on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, it was moved by D. Johnson, supported by J. Gavliniski, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

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Ronald C. Bauman, Secretary

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COMMISSION MEMBERS - 1995

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Commission Members	Term Expiration	Committee Assignments
BAUMAN, Ronald 807 Dinsen Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-2520	10/95 Secretary	Sign Ordinance Master Plan Review
FRANCKOWIAK, Richard 501 Water Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-3784	10/97	Sign Ordinance Goals
GAVLINSKI, Janice 319 Lake Shore Drive Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-2173	10/95	Site Plan/Historic Overlay Master Plan Review High Risk Erosion Rewrite
HARLESS, Kristie 487 Bryant Avenue Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-6863	10/97	Joint City Review/Ordinance Site Plan / Historic Overlay
JOHNSON, Denis 480 Water Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-2602 (w) 723-2602	10/96 Vice-Chair.	Zoning Board of Appeals Joint City Review/Ordinance
LAKOS, John 317 Sixth Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-2215	10/97	Site Plan/Historic Overlay High Risk Erosion Rewrite
SLAWINSKI, Anthony 384 Seventh Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-2992	10/95	Goals Master Plan Review
YODER, Roger 225 Seventh Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-6926	10/96 Chairman	Joint City Review/Ordinance Master Plan Review Goals Riverwalk East
	10/96	
ROSE, Jon 1200 Main Street Manistee, MI 49660 (h) 723-9344 (w) 723-2558	Zoning Administrator	County Plat Review Board