

# MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

70 Maple Street  
Manistee, MI 49660

## MEETING MINUTES

**SEPTEMBER 4, 1997**

A Meeting of the Manistee City Planning Commission was held on Thursday, September 4, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 70 Maple Street, Manistee, Michigan.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Fatke, Richard Franckowiak, Kristie Harless, John Lakos, John Serocki, Tony Slawinski

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Duane Jones, Mathew McShane, Roger Yoder

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jon Rose (Community Development Officer), Denise Mikula (City Staff), Jeff Mikula (Abonmarche)

Meeting was opened at 7:04 p.m. by Vice-Chair K. Harless.

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

There was no public hearing on the Agenda.

### **SITE PLAN REVIEWS:**

There was no site plan reviews on the Agenda.

### **CITIZEN QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS:**

No concerns were expressed by citizens in attendance.

### **MINUTES:**

MOTION by Franckowiak, supported by Slawinski, that minutes of the August 7, 1997 meeting be approved with a correction on Page 5. Ace Hardware - Street Vacation motion was supported by Serocki not Slawinski. Minutes as corrected were approved unanimously.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### C-1 Commercial, Access Road

A memo was sent to the Planning Commission Members from City Manager, Ben Bifoss regarding Section 5004 of the Zoning Ordinance that deals with regulations and standards in the C-1 Commercial District. Mr. Bifoss has requested that the Planning Commission consider whether or not the service drive concept continues to make sense in developed C-1 Commercial Districts in Manistee. Due to time this item was tabled at the August Meeting.

Jon Rose gave background information on service drives and the difficulties in enforcing the ordinance as it currently is written. After discussion with the members it was decided that language which eliminated access drive requirements while continuing to discourage curb-cuts onto U.S. 31 should be drafted and brought to the October meeting. MOTION by Fatke supported by Serocki that Jon Rose draft such language for the Committee to review at the October meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

#### City Update

Jon Rose reported on City Council discussion on the property at 196 Washington Street. The trial period for the stop signs at River and Greenbush Streets has expired and the signs have been removed. Unexpected money has been received from the state for paving projects for the City.

Jeff Mikula of Abonmarche discussed the projects and schedules for State Street, Main Street and Tenth Street sewer separation. Mr. Mikula also discussed project plans for 1998.

#### **REPORTS:**

##### D.D.A.:

John Lakos gave a report on the September 3, 1997 D.D.A. Meeting. The Treasurers report and Financial report for the DDA were approved. Election of officers were held with the appointment of Lorraine Conway as Chair, Dave Carlson, Vice-Chair, and Ron Steinberg, Secretary. Public restrooms are available at the City Marina and the Chamber Office and this information needs to be available to the public. Discussion on vendors on River Street for festivals and events were discussed.

##### Zoning Board of Appeals

No meeting held this past month.

##### Historic Overlay Review Committee

Steve Harold approved colors, door and the sign for Manistee Vacuum, 340 River Street. A meeting is scheduled for the full committee on Tuesday, September 9, 1997.

##### Joint City Review/Ordinance Committee

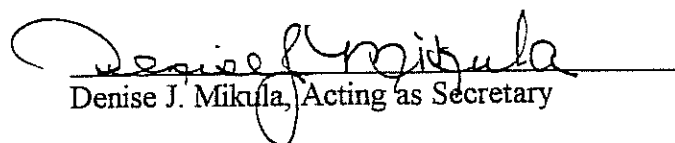
No meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, MOTION by Franckowiak, supported by Serocki that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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Denise J. Mikula, Acting as Secretary