

City of West Branch Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes for April 23, 2019

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Lucynski

Roll Call – Present – Kara Fachting, Ken Kish, Bob David, Mike Jackson, Cori Lucynski and Jan Hasty

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearings – None

Additions to Agenda – None

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes – No corrections were needed.

Motion by Mike Jackson, second by Bob David to approve the minutes as presented. Ayes – All.

Site Plans – None

Sign Permits –

McLaren Medical Center

Motion by Mike Jackson, second by Jan Hasty to grant the sign request as presented. Ayes – All

MidMichigan

Motion by Kara Fachting, second by Jan Hasty to accept the sign changes as requested. Ayes - All

Unfinished Business –

Denise Cline was present and discussed with the Commission about a few clarification issues with the Uses.

New Business –

Lisa Jensen Daycare request – Ms. Jensen was present. After much discussion amongst the Commission, Ms Jensen and Denise Cline regarding the upcoming changes to the Zoning Ordinance, Ms. Jensen decided to wait for the new zoning to be in place before she comes back to the Commission if needed regarding her request for a daycare unless the State of Michigan moves faster than anticipated. It is the consensus of the Commission to make the needed changes to the zoning that Ms. Jensen needs. Ayes – All

Article 4 District Regulations – Denise Cline was present and went over any changes, deletions or additions the Commission had regarding District Regulation.

Green Zoning – The Commission received a copy of the proposed Green Zoning for the City of West Branch. After discussion and a few changes the Commission felt the Green Zoning for the City of West Branch was ready for approval by the City Council.

Communications – A letter of resignation was received from Evelyn Shenk.

Motion by Mike Jackson, second by Jan Hasty to accept Ms. Shenks resignation from the Planning Commission.

Motion by Kara, second by Jan Hasty to recommend to City Council a replacement for the 7th empty seat on the Planning Commission. Ayes - All

Chairman Report – Noted that Hospice has vacated the buildings downtown.

Member Reports –

Hasty – Will be absent from the May 28, 2019 meeting

Jackson – City Manager interviews are this Friday and Saturday in chambers at City Hall. The tree removal at the airport is moving right along. The airport received a favorable reading on the runway service allowing more hangers to be built instead of having to put the money towards the runway.

David –Bids are open for parking lots on 4th Street and 2nd Street on the North side of town.

Kish – Attended a green energy meeting and was surprised that 70% of the grid is wind energy.

Fachting – None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42pm per Chairman Lucynski

Meeting minutes taken and typed by Kara Fachting