

City of New London
Planning Commission Minutes
June 25th, 2020

Call to Order:

The June 25th, 2020 Planning Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Besaw at 5:00 PM.

Roll Call:

Those in attendance were Chairman Besaw, Steingraber, Bessette, Goller and Mayor Herter.

Spilman, Noel and Gabert- excused.

Others in attendance: Chad Hoerth (Director of Public Services), Season Polsin (Rep with Wolf River Art League)

Adopt Agenda:

Motion by Goller, second by Steingraber to adopt the agenda. Motion carried 5/0.

Approval of the February 27th, 2020 Planning Commission Minutes:

Motion by Steingraber, second by Goller to approve the February 27, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried 5/0

Final Plat Review/Approval for London Acres

A copy of the New London Acres Plat was presented; this plat was resubmitted as a change was requested to include a utility easement in the back yard of each property to supply electric and communication utilities to the new homes. This was the only change from the original plat.

Motion by Goller, second by Steingraber to approve the updated plat as presented. Motion carried 5/0

Northland Electric Expansion Site Plan Approval

A site plan was presented for an expansion to the Northland Electric building at 1705 Orville Drive. The plan includes a 9,725 square foot addition to the north side of their current facility. The site plan was reviewed by the city's contracted building inspector with no concerns identified.

Motion by Steingraber, seconded by Mayor Herter to approve the site plan as presented.
Motion carried 5/0.

Wolf River Art League - Downtown Murals

Season Polsin from the Wolf River Art League presented ideas for 18 additional murals on buildings and structures throughout the city. A question came up on adding murals to the west side of the current Bumper to Bumper building and to the east side of the Bottle Shop as both are considered the address and front facing side of the facility. The city's previous building inspector felt this would contradict the intent of the Central Business District Design Guidelines in the city's municipal code. More research and consideration will be done for those proposals. Several other proposals were to install murals on city owned facilities which will be referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee. Another proposal was to place an abstract mural on the downtown river wall and on the lower level of the State Farm Insurance

building. Hoerth will contact the DNR to see if they have concerns with paint touching river water on those applications. Other than those considerations, the Commission blessed the remaining proposals and complemented the Wolf River Art League for their efforts thus far.

Motion by Steingraber, second by Goller to approve the murals as presented except for the Bumper to Bumper, Bottle Shop, State Farm Insurance and Riverwall proposals as more research will be done on those applications. Motion carried. 5/0

Update on Planning Issues and other Agenda Items:

None identified

Other Matters:

Next meeting will be July 23rd, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Goller, second by Steingraber.

Meeting adjourned by Besaw at 6:00 pm.