

DEXTER VILLAGE PLANNING COMMISSION
March 1, 2004
Regular Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair Kumble at the Dexter Area Senior Citizen Center, 7720 Ann Arbor Street.

Present: Kimmel, Kowalski, Kumble, Lovell, Tell

Absent: Baukema, McCormack, Walters, 1 Seat Vacant

Approval of Minutes

-Moved Tell, support Kumble to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2004, regular meeting as presented. Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Approval of Agenda

-Moved Tell, support Kimmel to approve the agenda as presented.
Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Public Hearing

Zoning Ordinance, Article 22, Administration and Enforcement

The hearing was opened at 7:35 P.M. A brief presentation by Zoning Officer Menard highlighted proposed amendments.

The hearing was then opened to the public. There were no citizens who wished to address the Commission. The hearing was closed to the public at this point and opened to discussion by the Commission.

-Moved Tell, support Kowalski to recommend the Village council adopt the proposed changes to Article 22, Section 22.09B of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance as presented to the Planning Commission at its March 1, 2004, regular meeting.

Ayes: Kimmel, Kowalski, Kumble, Lovell, Tell

Nays: None

Motion Carried

The hearing was closed at 7:55 P.M.

Reports of Officers

- A. Chair –Mr. Kumble thanked Donna Fisher for her years of service to the Planning Commission.
- B. Zoning Office – Ms Menard included a written report in the Commission packets. June 26th is scheduled for the Parks Commission Community Build Project. May 1st will be the Village Parks clean up with Dexter Scout Troops.
- C. Village Manager – Not Present – a copy of the Report to the Village Council was included in the packet.

Citizens Wishing To Address the Commission

-Mr. J. Rush, Fifth Street, stated his opposition to the proposed allowance of sandwich board type signs in the downtown area and imploring the Commission to leave the ordinance as it currently reads.

Old Business

- A. Article 7 Sign Ordinance

Consultant Lewan gave a brief overview of the proposed document and a brief history of the current document.

-Moved Tell, support Kumble to recommend the Village Council adopt the proposed sign ordinance, without an insert to Section 7.07.5.e Sidewalk Signs in the Downtown, as presented to the Planning Commission at its March 1, 2004 regular meeting.

Ayes: Kowalski, Kumble, Tell

Nays: Kimmel, Lovell

Motion Carried

- B. Master Plan

Consultant Lewan gave a brief update of progress to date.

New Business

- A. DDA Action Plan Information

Zoning Officer Menard gave a presentation of the plan. Commissioner Tell volunteered to serve on this sub-committee.

Proposed Business for Next Agenda

- Master Plan Discussion
- Section 3 - General Provisions
- Section 6 - Landscape Review
- Section 21 - Site Plan Review
- Section 5 – Parking and Loading Review

Citizens Wishing To Address the Commission

- J. Seta, 411 Cambridge, stated his belief that there is a problem with the Planning Commission by-laws regarding majority and the number of people making decisions.
- P. Cousins, 7648 forest, stated he has served on both the Planning Commission and the Village Council in past years, is running for Council and requested the support of the Commission.
- J. Coy, 8033 Huron Street, stated he is surprised to see the Commission doing a Master Plan revision when in his opinion, a major annexation to the Village is eminent and he thanked the Commission for its service during his presidency.

Adjournment

- Moved Kumble, support Kimmel to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 P.M.
Voice Vote: Unanimous Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Donna L. Fisher
Village Clerk

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