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Mayville Planning Commission

Official Meeting Minutes

March 04, 2020

Present: 5 Cecilia Kapcia-Chairman, Randy Valentine-Vice Chairman, Bruce McGhee, Judy Chesney-Secretary, Kelly Torrey

Visitors 0

Meeting opened at 6:30 p.m.

B. McGhee moved supported by K. Torrey to accept the February 19, 2020 minutes, motion passed.

Discussed B. McGhee's report

Michigan Municipal League, Elected Officials Academy Core Weekender, 2/28 - 2/29/20

I attended the core weekender training facilitated by MMI. The food was good, as well as the facility, and there was a good atmosphere in Frankenmuth. There were newly elected officials from all over the state. Kalamazoo, Marquette, Saugatuck, Allen Park and all other points. Although I was the only Planning Commission member, I was told by MML staff that I was in the right place, and the curriculum centered around a lot of planning issues in finance, leadership and decorum in municipal government. Instructors were mostly extensively experienced and professional municipal planners. People from all over the state in the same room was a good illustration that Michigan is made up of many micro cultures.

I did learn a lot about resources for planning in local government, and found out a lot about what's going on in city and village governments around Michigan. One alarming thing that the public is not generally aware of is that the state has been diverting money from municipalities at an alarming rate since 2002. I found out since that time, \$619,000.00 of tax revenue due the Village of Mayville has been appropriated by the state, and at an average of about \$56,000.00 annually since 2013. I learned about a movement to begin to reverse this situation called saveMIcity. I think the Village should consider a higher level of involvement in that statewide effort.

In networking, I found there were some interesting things other local governments are doing. Some were interested in dissolving their DDA's like we did and were seeking avenues to that goal. I also got the impression that we are more over protective about some things than other administrations, and that we are a little more lax about following the rules in other areas. My impression is that these things give us an edge at times while also giving some handicaps in others. All in all, a good training and I think well worth the time and expense.

Respectfully Submitted, Bruce McGhee

Waiting for Kelly McIntyre from CIB Director of Planning from CIB (Community Image Builders). To get back with C. Kapcia regarding her review of our ordinances.

Discussed email dated 01-06-2020 from C. Germain, AICP

Master Plan RRC Review Results

Item #1, The master plan reflects the community's desired direction for the future. Recommendation: None

Item #2. The master plan identifies strategies for priority redevelopment areas. Recommendation: RRC recommends that the village include a specific section on priority redevelopment areas as part of the future land use section or as its own chapter. **We identified development ready and we will make bullet points for this item.**

Item #3. The master plan addresses land use and infrastructure, including complete streets. Recommendation: The village should add content related to non-motorized transportation including sidewalks and biking. The transportation section should be pulled out of the economic development chapter to be its own section. **On this item, B. & R. Valentine will work on this item.**

Item #4 The master plan includes a zoning plan. Recommendation: In the future and use section, add an actual zoning plan coordinating how the future land use categories translate to actual zoning designations. **Working on this item.**

Item #5, The master plan incorporates recommendations for implementation, including goals, actions, timelines and responsible parties. Recommendation: None

Item #6. Progress on the master plan is annually reported to the governing body. Recommendation: Make a slight update to the performance measurements to include a task for annually reporting on master plan progress. **We are adding B. McGhee's paragraph on page 45 of the Master Plan.** Done

Item #7. The master plan is available online. Recommendation: Ensure the adopted master plan is available online. Done.

R. Valentine left the meeting so we could discuss our Billboard sign ordinance Section 20.

Discussed our Sign ordinance Section 20.

We discussed revising our Village of Mayville Zoning Permit to be presented at our next meeting.

K. Torrey moved supported by B. McGhee to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. motion passed.

Submitted by,
Judy Chesney, Secretary