

**CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING of the PLANNING COMMISSION**

May 16, 2011

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Commissioners Present: Mark Douglas Ross Conran
 Mike Schmidt James Ward
 Pat Vadas

Absent Commissioners: Frank Wash Tim Haselhuhn

Motion by Ward and second by Douglas to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2011 regular Planning Commission meeting. Motion Carried.

Chairman Schmidt opened the floor for any citizen comments regarding items that were not on the agenda. There were none.

DISCUSSION/ACTION – Accessory Building Ordinance

Discussion was held on the current accessory building ordinance and the possible amendments that commissioners felt could take place. Commissioners discussed several different proposals to take into account for possible changes. Commissioners agreed to incorporate the chart they reviewed from Alpine Townships zoning ordinance into the City’s current zoning ordinance number 1280.11 for Accessory Buildings which will allow for larger accessory buildings on lots over one (1) acre. Commissioners agreed to have the City Staff make the proposed amendments and submit to the Planning Commission for their review at the June 2011 meeting.

DISCUSSION/ACTION – Comprehensive Plan

Commissioners discussed and agreed that it would be beneficial to bring other boards such as the DDA, City Council, ZBA, and the Chamber of Commerce to the table to get involved in the actual drafting of the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion was held on Dan Noel, 327 Main Street in regards to his request to the City Clerk to be allowed to have a home occupation in the residential dwelling on the upper floor of 327 Main. Planning Commission members denied Mr. Noel’s request stating that home occupations were for the residential zoning districts.

ADJOURN

Motion by Chairman Schmidt with second by Douglas to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Chairman, Mike Schmidt