

MEETING MINUTES

ESSEXVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

For Its Regular Meeting of Monday September 28, 2009

Co-Chairperson, John Kustuch called the Regular Meeting of the Essexville Planning Commission to order at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Atkinson, Brenay, Charron and Kustuch

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bergen

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Dale Majerczyk, Planning Commission City Council Liaison John Connelly, and City Attorney Gerald Pergande

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Atkinson offered a motion to approve the agenda as written, second by Brenay; Unanimous.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Charon offered a motion to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2009 second by Atkinson; unanimous.

3. CITIZEN'S INPUT

None

4. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance – Vice Chairperson Kustuch opened the public hearing at 7:06 p.m. No citizens were in attendance. Mr. Pergande provided a summary and suggestions for the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance.

The Public Hearing portion of the meeting closed at 7:45 p.m.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Consideration of Recommendations for Proposed Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance - After discussion, the following Resolution was made by Atkinson and second by Brenay; unanimous.

WHEREAS in accordance with the administrative procedures set forth in the Zoning Ordinance for the City of Essexville, the Planning Commission has of its own initiative proposed numerous amendments to be made to said Zoning Ordinance, and

WHEREAS a public hearing on said amendments to the Zoning Ordinance was held during a special meeting of the Planning Commission on September 28, 2009 for the purpose of receiving public comment on said amendments

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED that after its own study and after consideration of public comment on the matter, the Planning Commission recommends that the City Council amend the Zoning Ordinance as set forth in the document entitled “Summary of Proposed Revisions to the Zoning Ordinance to Comply with Act 110, Michigan Public Acts of 2006” said document prepared by the City Manager and dated September 25, 2009 but excluding all references to wind energy systems that were otherwise proposed as amendments.

Consideration of Rescheduling Public Hearing on Proposed Rezoning of Certain Properties from “B-1 Business” to “R-O Residential Office.”- After discussion, the following Resolution was made by Atkinson and second by Brenay; unanimous.

Resolved; the Planning Commission shall hold a special meeting on October 26, 2009 and conduct a public hearing at said meeting for the purpose of receiving public input on the proposed rezoning of several parcels of property on Prairie and Smith Street from their present “B-1 Business Zoning” to “RO – Residential Office” or “MU – Mixed Use” Zoning.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Wind Energy Conversion Ordinance – Mr. Majerczyk and Mr. Pergande discussed with the board that it may be necessary to incorporate the regulation in the Zoning Ordinance rather than the City Code as originally thought.

7. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

Atkinson offered a motion to adjourn, second by Charron. Upon unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 p.m.