

CITY OF IONIA
Planning Commission
August 10, 2016
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER The Regular Meeting of the City of Ionia Planning Commission for August 10, 2016 was called to order by Vice Chairperson Boomer Hoppough at 4:37 PM.

ROLL CALL Roll Call revealed Commissioners Dave Cook, Boomer Hoppough, Mark Jennings and Gordon Kelley present. Commissioners Tim Lee, and Chris Young were excused. Commissioner Evonne Ulmer was absent.

City Manager Jason Eppler and Planning Consultant Jan Johnson were also present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Vice Chairperson Hoppough reviewed the agenda with the Commission. After review, it was moved by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Jennings to approve the agenda for the August 10, 2016 meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES The Commission reviewed the minutes of the June 8, 2016 Regular Meeting. After review it was moved by Commissioner Cook, seconded by Commissioner Jennings to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2016 Commission meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

OLD BUSINESS Sign Ordinance – Recent United States Supreme Court Decision: Planning Consultant Johnson continued a review with the Commission of the memorandum dated June 8, 2016 containing the revisions proposed to the sign ordinance. The majority of the Commission’s discussion focused on temporary versus permanent signs. The Commission’s review of the proposed changes will continue at the September meeting.

NEW BUSINESS Community Wayfinding Sign Project – Committee Appointments: The City Manager reported that the FY16-17 City Budget contains funds to hire a consultant to assist with developing a wayfinding sign plan (sign style/sign locations, etc.) for the City. He stated that this will be a joint project between the Planning Commission and DDA Board of Directors and that a small work group, consisting of volunteers from both boards, be assigned to work on the

project which will be coordinated by Linda Curtis, DDA Director. He requested a couple of volunteers from the Commission to work on this project. The Commission suggested that Commissioners Cook and Young represent the Planning Commission on this work group.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Cook stated that he is chairing a local committee that is raising funds to purchase a portable resin ice rink. He said that the committee will be working with the schools and local governments in identifying a suitable location for the rink. He stated the goal is to raise \$50,000 to purchase a rink that is about three-quarters of the size of a regulation ice hockey rink.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Jennings seconded by Commissioner Kelley to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 PM.
MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jason Eppler
City Manager
Recording Secretary for Dave Cook, Secretary