CALL TO ORDER Chairperson Houppough called the Organizational Meeting of the City of Ionia Planning Commission for March 10, 2021 to order at 4:31 PM.

ROLL CALL Present: Commissioners Mike Donaldson, Tim Lee, Judy Swartz, Ryan Videtich and Boomer Hoppough.

Absent: Commissioners David Cook and Ted Paton

Also Present: Planning Consultant Jan Johnson, City Manager Gregg Guetschow and several members of the public.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS It was moved by Commissioner Donaldson and supported by Commissioner Swartz that Boomer Hoppough be elected Chairperson for 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Commissioner Donaldson and supported by Commissioner Videtich that Ted Paton be elected as Vice Chairperson for 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

It was moved by Commissioner Swartz and supported by Commissioner Lee that David Cook be elected as Secretary for 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

BYLAWS City Manager Guetschow presented a revision of the Planning Commissions bylaws and provided an overview of the changes. He noted that the majority of changes were to correct minor errors and improve grammar. A new section was added to address conflicts of duty.

Jan Johnson of MainStreet Planning recommended two minor changes and recommended the addition of language addressing removal of planning commissioners from office. Mr. Guetschow stated that such language need not be included in the Commission’s bylaws as removal from office is an action of the City Council pursuant to statute.

It was the consensus of the Commission to delay action on the bylaws until the March meeting to permit the inclusion of removal of office language.
ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Commissioner Donaldson and seconded by Commissioner Lee to adjourn the organizational meeting at 4:46 PM. MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully Submitted,
Gregg Guetschow, Recording Secretary,
for David Cook, Secretary