

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS  
CITY HALL - 86 W. CENTER STREET, DOUGLAS, MI  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA**

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Roll Call**
- C. Agenda Approval** - Motion to approve the Planning Commission Agenda for October 9th, 2019 as presented (or as amended with additions/changes/deletions)
- D. Approval of Minutes** - Motion to approve the Planning Commission Minutes of September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
- E. Written Communications**
- F. Public Comment related to agenda items only** (limit 2 minutes per person)
- G. New Business:**
- H. Unfinished Business**
  - 1. **Recreational Marihuana**.....Update
  - 2. **Sign Ordinance**.....Committee Report
  - 3. **Planning Commission Training set for Nov 13, 2019**.....Update
  - 4. **Staff Report**.....Update
- I. Hear from the Audience** (Limit of 5 minutes for general comments)
- J. Commissioner Comments**
- K. Adjournment**

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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES - Draft**

- A. Call to Order:** Vice-Chair Louise Pattison called the meeting at 7:00 PM
- B. Roll Call: Present** – Buszka, Heneghan, Kenny, Pattison, Stewart, Seabert  
Absent – None  
Also Present – City Planner, Lisa Imus
- C. Agenda Approval** – Kenny, with support from Buska, made a motion to approve the Planning Commission Agenda for September 11th, 2019 as presented. Motion approved by acclimation.
- D. Approval of Minutes** – Kenny, supported by Seabert, made a motion to approve the Planning Commission Minutes of August 14th, 2019 with one amendment regarding Kenny abstaining. Motion approved by acclimation.
- E. Written Communications:** Sara Fash at 3071 Lakeshore Dr. sent a letter regarding the Consumers Energy easement to the rear of her property. She stated that a huge mess was made by the tree service they hired. Imus has been in contact with Fash in regards to this issue.
- F. Public Comment related to agenda items only** (limit 2 minutes per person): Ethan Del Stone presented the Planning Commission with a letter from his attorney and is requesting that the City ordinance to opt out of recreational marihuana be temporary. He suggested a sunset with the ordinance.
- G. New Business:** None
- H. Unfinished Business**
  - 1. Recreational Marihuana.....Recommendation to City Council**  
Kenny, supported by Stewart, made a motion to pass the recreational marihuana ordinance as written to City Council. (Yes) Kenny, Pattison, Stewart. (No) Buska, Heneghan, Seabert.  
The three no voting commission members would like steps outlining the process on how the city will move forward with opting in once the final state guidelines are approved for recreational. They would like a time line established and request the City Council allow Planning Commission to be given the responsibility of moving forward.  
Kenny, supported by Buska, made a motion to reconsider the three yes and three no votes. Motion carried by roll call vote.  
Kenny, supported by Buska, made a motion to approved the recreational marihuana ordinance as written with a letter expressing to the City Council that the Planning Commission still be given the responsibility to keep it moving forward. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.
  - 2. Sign Ordinance.....Committee Report**

Kenny stated that the sign subcommittee had met and is making progress. Members were presented with a 1<sup>st</sup> draft of the sign code. Stewart is making graphics for a visual instruction worksheet.

**3. Planning Commission Training set for Nov 13, 2019.....Update**  
Planning Commission has confirmed Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 9:00pm for the “Planning and Zoning Essentials” training date.

**I. Hear from the Audience:** Julie Galot spoke regarding her two business location ideas of a boutique hotel or bed and breakfast. One is in the C-1 district. Imus stated that a special land use would be okay for this property. Next step would be getting in touch with the city building official to talk about a change of use. A lot on Lakeshore Dr. is the other option. Julie would like to parcel the 3 acres on, however, since there are no utilities on Peach St., they would need to be installed before a split could be allowed.

**J. Commissioner Comments:** None

**K. Adjournment:** Kenny, supported by Seabert, made a motion to adjourn meeting. Motion approved by acclamation at 8:36 p.m.