Proceedings of the Ironwood Planning Commission

A Meeting of the Ironwood Planning Commission was held on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Community Development Conference Room, Memorial Building (2nd Floor), 213 S. Marquette St., Ironwood, MI 49938.

- 1. Chairman Wyssling called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.
- 2. Recording of the Roll.

PRESENT: Bergman, Geib, Johnson, Burchell, and Chairman Wyssling ABSENT: Lytywnuik (excused)

3. Consider approval of the February 1, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion was made by Bergman, seconded by Burchell and carried to approve the Planning Commission minutes of February 1, 2012.

4. Consider approval of the Agenda.

Motion was made by Geib, seconded by Burchell and carried to approve the Agenda as presented.

5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items on the Agenda. (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

OLD BUSINESS

6. Project Updates

City Assessor/Building Inspector Dennis Hewitt updated the Planning Commission regarding the Super 1 project and informed them Hemlock Street would be closed on Monday for reconstruction. He further stated the informational meeting for the Hemlock project has been posted on the City of Ironwood website.

7. Discuss and consider recommending 60-acre parcel located in Section 24 to be placed on the surplus property list.

Angelo Luppino was present and requested the Planning Commission consider selling him the property so he can level it off with the existing material. Mr. Luppino felt the material was reject material. Further discussion of this matter took place.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Bergman to recommend to the City Commission to place a portion or the whole parcel on the surplus property list.

Motion was made by Johnson, seconded by Burchell to amend the motion to recommend to the City Commission that the portion north of Bonnie Road be placed on the surplus property list.

ROLL CALL:

Yes (4): Johnson, Burchell, Geil, and Chairman Wyssling.

No (1): Bergman.

Motion carried on a 4 to 1 vote.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Discuss and consider correspondence from Duane Duray and Tim Newman requesting property located on Granite Street to be placed on the surplus property list.

Duane Duray and Tim Newman were both present and requested the Planning Commission recommend to the City Commission to place the property between their properties on the surplus property list. They expressed their concerns with the price of the survey and did not want to spend the money for a survey if there was no guarantee they would win the bid. Further discussion of this matter took place.

Motion was made by Burchell, seconded by Bergman and carried to recommend a survey and place this property located on Granite Street on the surplus property list.

9. Correspondence from Western U.P. Planning & Development Regional Commission

(RE: Notice of Intent by the City of Ironwood to apply for Federal assistance from USDA Rural Development (grant/loan) to undertake U.S. 2 Utility Project – Phase III Revised, Sanitary Sewer System Improvements that may impact upon the plans and programs of the Ironwood City Planning Commission).

This item was informational only no action was needed.

10. Other Business.

The Planning Commission questioned the Capital Improvement plan and noted they would like some money for a new Master Plan in the budget.

Assessor/Building Inspector Hewitt discussed with the Planning Commission a request for chickens in an R-1 District briefly.

Chairman Wyssling requested the Planning Commission look at developing an ordinance regarding medical marijuana. Commissioner Bergman questioned the legality and suggested the City Attorney be contacted. The Planning Commission requested this item be placed on the next agenda.

11. Citizens wishing to address the Commission on Items not on the Agenda (Three Minute Limit).

There were none.

12. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Geib, seconded by Johnson and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Karen M. Gullan, City Clerk

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