
OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES-PLANNING COMMISSION

Present: James Allein, Chairman
Linda Parzynski, Vice-Chairperson
Robert Deutschlander
Mark Grucella
Neil Connelly
Mary Kless
Jeff Stribing, Community Development Director
George Pease, Code Enforcement Officer

Absent: Richard Bulman
Mary Refermat

Meeting was called to order at 7:03p.m. by Chairman Allein in the Coucil Chambers of the Lancaster Municipal Building, 5423 Broadway, Lancaster, New York.

Chairman Allein opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Planning Commission appointments of Mary Refermat, Linda Parzynski and James Allein will be staggered so that expirations will not all be in the same year.

Motion made by Robert Deutschlander seconded by Linda Parzynski to name James Allein Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Ayes: J. Allein, L. Parzynski, R. Deutschlander, M. Grucella, N. Connelly, M. Kless

Nays: None

Motion Carried (6-0)

Motion made by Robert Deutschlander seconded by Neil Connelly to name Linda Parzynski Vice-Chairperson of the Planning Commission.

Ayes: J. Allein, L. Parzynski, R. Deutschlander, M. Grucella, N. Connelly, M. Kless

Nays: None

Motion Carried (6-0)

Hours of training are needed for 2010. Secretary is to ask Mike Stegmeier how many hours are needed for each member including carryovers from 2009. Code of Ethics statements will be sent out this month which need to be signed and returned.

Draft of detached sign revision is a result of our joint meeting with the Historic Preservation Commission. Question was raised as to "private parcel of land" in definition of detached sign. Exception of addresses on Central Avenue and West Main Street. Question on how to enforce wind pressure on signs. Uniform signage loaned out by HPC could be controlled. Inviting a sign

contractor to one of our meetings would be helpful. Labeling signs with a Historic symbol would look very nice. Frame work would all be the same but the face could change to accommodate changeable letters or use of chalk. Merchants should be invited to a meeting to get them involved. Sign Code review was tabled.

Next facades are Fancy Pants and Aquinos' office.

Jeff Stribing explained that the Dissolution of the Village has been discussed. V.O.T.E. is a committee against the dissolution. There is controversy over the process. Other elected positions like county legislators should be eliminated. Much of government has just grown larger than the economics allowed. There is a possible grant to fund research of viability. The Police merger had an initial high cost but after 11 more years the town sales tax will take over the expense. The Village Fire Department responds to mutual aid calls for the Town. The cost of Town fire departments is extremely more expensive than what the village pays. 71 Central Avenue will be bought back because it did not sell at auction. New village floodplain will need further discussion with Representative Chris Lee.

Motion made by Robert Deutschlander seconded by Linda Parzynski at 8:47p.m. to adjourn meeting.

Ayes: J. Allein, L. Parzynski, R. Deutschlander, M. Grucella, N. Connelly, M. Kless

Nays: None

Motion Carried (6-0)

Respectfully submitted,



Cynthia Maciejewski

Secretary to the Planning Commission

cc: Village Board of Trustees

Planning Commission Members

Jeff Stribing, Community Development Director