

**PLANNING COMMISSION  
121 N. CHURCH STREET – HUDSON MI  
REGULAR MEETING  
July 27, 2015**

The regular meeting was called to order to by Chairperson Sue Minton at 6:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Sue Minton, Watson Clark, Brad VandeZande, Jeanne Karr, and Jack Donaldson

ABSENT: Donna Klinger, Rob Hall, Beth Johnston and Pastor Troy Neujahr

OTHERS: Clare and Norma Ransom, Kelly Vanbuskirk, Michelle Fork, Lori Lanzalotti, Roxanne, Sam (The Foundation House) and City Clerk Jeaniene McClellan.

**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

**Excuse Absent Member(s):**

Motion by Watson Clark, seconded by Jack Donaldson, to **excuse absent members from the meeting**, CARRIED by voice call

**Minutes:**

Motion by Jack Donaldson, seconded by Jeanne Karr, to **approve the minutes of April 27, 2015, and place on file**, CARRIED by voice call

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Preliminary review – 112 S. Church St. – Conditional Use Permit**

Clare and Norma Ransom are the owners of 112 S. Church St. and they are asking to allow them to have the main floor into living quarters. They have been unable to rent to anyone for a store front.

The public hearing on this variance request will be August 24 at the City Council Chambers at 6:30 pm.

**Preliminary review – 344 E. Main St. – Conditional Use Permit**

The owners of the Foundation House will like to rent the property at 344 E. Main Street and make it into a Recovery Living residence. Three of the four owners along with 2 residents came to the meeting to answer any questions.

The public hearing on this variance request will be August 24 at the City Council Chambers at 6:30 pm.

**VISITORS BEFORE COMMISSION:**

There were no visitors before Commission.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:**

- Paving on the Engle Trail has finally been completed. All that remains are the concrete curb approaches on both sides of Main Street near Munson Hwy, signage, and benches as well as the Engle Trail Signposts.

- The Western Gateway sign installation is in progress. The metal structure and concrete piers have been placed, and the stone-look columns are next. The masonry foundation and landscaping will follow, with the LED floodlight being the last element. The project should be completed prior to Labor Day.
- The extremely heavy rain event last weekend tested the limits of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Ted and Jeff dealt with the effects of 4 inches of rain coming down over the weekend, with a peak flow through the plant at one point just under 3 million gallons per day, or nearly 8 times the design capacity of the plant.
- Concord Excavating is nearing substantial completion of the Pleasant Street Reconstruction Project, with paving finishing up today. There is still some concrete work to be done, but progress has been rapid with the dry weather.
- Dan Rogers, Director of SMCSI, reports that the first year was a great success, with all signs pointing to an even stronger year to come. They just completed a successful 2-week camp with students from the surrounding region. They continue to solidify their partnerships with regional manufacturers. They are going to run a satellite activity at Tecumseh Schools. And the Governor has reportedly cited SMCSI as the best example in the State of the type of Manufacturing and STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) Training initiative being championed by the Administration.
- Rental Rehab continues in high gear, with active construction now underway in 3 of the 4 properties. Also, our third-party grant administrators are now looking forward to beginning a second round of rehabilitation involving the next group of downtown property owners.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jeaniene McClellan, City Clerk