



## Minutes

### Madison Lake Planning Commission

Monday, August 22, 2016 at 7:00 PM

Madison Lake Community Room

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#### 1) Call Meeting to Order (7:08pm)

#### 2) Roll Call

- a) Ryan Sanders absent

#### 3) Consent Agenda

*Note: All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine or non-controversial and will be approved with one motion. If a Council Member wishes to discuss any of these items, they may ask that the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*

- a) Approval of Agenda
- b) Accepting of Minutes from Regular Meeting of July 25, 2016
  - i) **Motion to approve Consent Agenda after addition of 8A**  
(1) **M: McBeth/S: Rosenow. Unanimous approval**

#### 4) Open Public Comments

*NOTE: Those wishing to speak must state their name and address for the record. Please limit comments to five minutes for person. Please fill out and turn in the yellow card to the Mayor before the meeting.*

#### 5) Public Hearings

#### 6) Reports and Recommendations

- a) Solar Panel Ordinance
  - i) **City Administrator Michael Hanson, presented a draft solar ordinance for the Planning Commission to consider based on the input of the Planning Commission and its initial research into similar ordinances found elsewhere in the state.**  
(1) **Commission appeared supportive of the ordinance and wanted staff to inquire into reasoning behind restrictions in shore land areas. Staff correcting a few clerical/grammar errors. Solar Ordinance coming back to Planning Commission for further discussion in October meeting.**

#### 7) Staff Reports

- a) Multi-use zoning district discussion
  - i) Man-caves
    - (1) **Randy Knauss was present to discuss Man-Caves with Planning Commission. He stated that he has been reaching out and making contact with other municipalities that allow the zoning of these "recreational storage units" such as Sleepy Eye, Courtland, New Ulm. Proposed location in city would be north of Knauss/Reichel property on the south side of Dauk's.**
    - (2) **Commissioners discussed Mr. Knauss's idea and determined it would require the creation of a new zone to be feasible. Commission appeared supported of the idea, however cautioned whether the location was ideal based on potential future development of the city.**

#### 8) Commissioner Reports

- a) 1045 Sarah Circle discussion – Klassen
  - i) **Commission discussed proposed variance request for 1045 Sarah Circle. Note however, that the public hearing for that request is scheduled for 8/29/2016. Discussion centered**

**on feasibility of request and possible alternative scenarios to address lot coverage or sideyard setback including buying an easement on adjoining property, buying portion of adjoining vacant lot, using permeable materials for the driveway. Planning Commission chair has been in conversation with the builder of the property Matt Reichel.**

**9) Adjournment (8:56pm)**

- a) **M: McBeth/S: Rosenow. Motion for adjournment approved unanimously.**