

**WHITE CLOUD PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Meeting: Regular Meeting

Meeting date: Tuesday December 14, 2015

Meeting time: 10:00 A.M EST

Place: White Cloud City Offices

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call:

Chair Dault called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM

Present: Candice Dault, Charles Chandler, Don Barnhard, Mary Bleiler

Absent: Dave Kroll

Others Present: Councilman Richard Dault and Bob Hall (ZA) and Chris Grobbel

Set/Amend the Agenda:

Motion by Barnhard, Second by Chair Dault, to accept the agenda as presented.

All Ayes No Nays Motion carried

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

Chair Dault led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes:

November 17, 2015, Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by, Bleiler Second by Barnhard to approve the **November 17, 2015**, Regular Meeting Minutes.

All Ayes No Nays Motion carried

Zoning Administrators (ZA) Bob Hall's Report:

The ZA reported that Attorney Cliff Bloom has sent a letter to Southfield, MI to the owners and operators of the Mobile Home Park. The letter was dated December 8th and notifying them that they had until January 8th to contact the ZA with a plan to bring the Mobile Home Park into compliance.

The ZA mentioned that Bleiler had notified that a resident had a pot bellied pig in her yard and he stated that he would follow up with the resident this afternoon.

Bleiler stated that she felt that the Junk and Blight problem in White Cloud is to big for one person. That maybe we should get the Chief and the police department involved.

The ZA mentioned that he had started that discussion with Lora on ways to expedite the process.

If the City has the will to address this problem then there are ways to get the violators into court. Chair Dault mentioned that she had a discussion with Lora and the Chief and suggested that maybe we could prioritize some of the violations and for example have the police issue citations for unlicensed vehicles.

Bleiler again gave examples of properties that appeared derelict with broken windows and so on yet had people living in them. She stated that she did not understand how we could give them the green light to live in such conditions. The ZA reiterated the process and length of time that it takes to process a citation. He suggested that if we could get some consideration from and collaborate with the District Judge and the Magistrate then we could expedite the process.

Commission Barnhard asked the ZA if he could attend the next City Council Meeting to discuss and answer any questions regarding the Rental Unit Inspection Ordinance packet. He said that he would be available.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

a. 2016 Meeting Schedule. Chair Dault presented the 2016 meeting schedule at this meeting because Commissioners Chandler and Kroll had resigned and we would not have a quorum in January.

Motion by Chair Dault, Second by Chandler to accept the 2016 Meeting Schedule as presented.

All Ayes No Nays Motion carried

b. Chris Grobbel: Chris our new on call Professional Planner discussed his experience with some of the municipalities and organizations that he had worked for and with. He made some suggestions that the Planning and Zoning Commission could do to get current information, communicate better with City residents and save money. And he answered a variety of questions from the Commissioners on our Trail Town designation, environment, Brown Field properties, grants, and projects that he had worked. The ZA pointed out that one of Chris's strengths is facilitation and working with difficult and challenging issues and people.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: None

Final comments: None

Adjournment:

Motion by, Barnhard, Second by Bleiler, to adjourn

All Ayes No Nays Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 PM

Respectfully submitted


Charles Chandler