



Meeting Minutes
Beloit City Plan Commission
Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at 7:00 PM
Third Floor Conference Room
Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street, Beloit

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairperson Faragher called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Commissioners Haynes, Weeden, Johnson, Faragher, Finnegan, Ruster, and Tinder were present.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the August 9, 2017 Meeting

Tim Weeden noted that Rockford, Illinois should be added in to the minutes from the August 9th meeting to clarify where the office was for New Leaf Homes. Commissioner Weeden moved to amend the minutes from the August 9, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Ruster seconded the motion. The motion passed, voice vote.

3. Extraterritorial Certified Survey Map – 4201 S. Walters Road – Town of Beloit

Review and consideration of a Three-Lot Certified Survey Map for 4201 S. Walters Road in the Town of Beloit

Ms. Julie Christensen, Community Development Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Commissioner Tinder moved to approve the motion. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed, voice vote.

4. Ironworks Industrial Bridge Project

Review and consideration of a Bridge Construction Agreement and Related Easements to the Ironworks Industrial Bridge Project

Ms. Julie Christensen, Community Development Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Ms. Christensen stated that there is a provision in the bridge agreement related to naming the bridge which specifies it will be named the Ironworks Bridge. Frank McKearn, 2857 Bartells Drive, President of R.H. Batterman & Co., Inc. stated that the structure will be delivered into four pieces and put together with a crane. The bridge will be constructed of metal that creates its own coating over time so it won't need to be painted. Ms. Christensen said that if the bridge had graffiti on it that it would be easy to remove by grinding it off.

Commissioner Weeden asked if the maintenance expense escrow number was a negotiated number. Ms. Christensen stated that the Economic Director and the Finance Director provided the recommended amount for maintenance expense, and that we were not anticipating a lot

of maintenance expense. The City Engineer wanted to make sure that there was money set aside for the maintenance.

Commissioner Weeden asked if this will change any of the plans to run an extended trail through the Ironworks property along the river front. Ms. Christensen said she isn't sure about the plans for the pedestrian connection, and that the City is currently working on the updated bike and pedestrian plan.

Commissioner Ruster asked when the proposed finish date was on the bridge. Ms. Christensen stated that the bridge was originally set to be finished by the end of the year, but they moved the date to May 31, 2018. Once the bridge is constructed, the City will accept the bridge by City Council resolution. At that time, they will have a dedication ceremony to dedicate the bridge to the City.

Commissioner Haynes moved to approve the motion. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed, voice vote.

5. Easement – Telfer Park – 2301 Skyline Drive

Review and consideration of a request for an Underground Electric Easement from Wisconsin Power and Light Company over a portion of Telfer Park located at 2301 Skyline Drive

Ms. Julie Christensen, Community Development Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Commissioner Johnson asked if there was an existing underground cable in the area now. Bill Frisbee, Storm Water Engineer, stated that there is an underground cable there now, and they want to shorten the distance by making it into a straight line. Commissioner Johnson asked if they were going to trench the cable, and if it would affect the playground or ice rink area. Mr. Frisbee mentioned that it would not affect the area, and he walked the site and it will be going to the Park and Recreation Committee for its review.

Commissioner Tinder moved to approve the motion. Commissioner Weeden seconded the motion. The motion passed, voice vote.

6. Status Report on Prior Plan Commission Items

Ms. Christensen stated that the City Council approved the PUD located at 2850, 2900, 2956 Milwaukee Road and the Zoning Map Amendment for portions of 2956 Milwaukee Road is on the September 5 agenda for action.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Amber DesRoberts