

**VILLAGE OF HINCKLEY**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**  
**May 06, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kula at 7:00 PM.

**Present:** Chairman Russ Kula, Joan Umano, Rodney Davis, Danielle Marion, and Gerald Bahl. Quorum Established.

**Absent:** Joe Edmeier.

**Also Present:** Village Clerk Elizabeth Losiniecki.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The pledge to the flag was recited.

**COMMENTS FROM PERSONS PRESENT:**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM: Previous Meeting Minutes – 07/16/18 Presentation and Vote**

Gerald Bahl moved to approve the previous meeting minutes from July 16, 2018 and Joan Umano seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Umano-Aye, Davis-Aye, Bahl-Aye, Kula-Aye, Marion-Aye. Motion carried.

**AGENDA ITEM: Previous Meeting Minutes – 03/04/19 & 04/01/19 Presentation and Vote**

Joan Umano moved to approve the 03/04/19 and the 04/01/19 meeting minutes and Danielle Marion seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Umano-Aye, Davis-Aye, Bahl-Aye, Kula-Aye, Marion-Aye. Motion carried.

Joan Umano commented that there was no representative from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) at the 04/29/19 Regular Board Meeting (RBM). She was frustrated that the ZBA had spent so much time reviewing and editing the text amendments and ordinance for the mobile food vendors and no one was there to answer questions for the Trustees. As a result, the Board of Trustees (BoT) spent considerable time discussing and reviewing details that the ZBA had already researched. Clerk Losiniecki pointed out that the Village Attorney was present at both meetings (RBM and ZBA), and was sworn in at the Public Hearing and ZBA meeting as “acting village staff – zoning official,” and was present to address any questions or concerns the Trustees had regarding the text amendments and ordinance. There was a discussion regarding having a liaison from the BoT present at Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (PC/ZBA) meetings. Ms. Umano felt that, at a minimum, if the PC/ZBA had an item on an agenda for a RBM, then a PC/ZBA member should be present at the RBM to address any questions or concerns.

**OLD BUSINESS**

° **Agenda item for discussion:** Brewrista and the Bean

Village Clerk Losiniecki stated that Ms. Myers had come in a filled out a new permit application for the mobile food truck located at 200 N. Somonauk Road.

° **Agenda item for discussion:** Tree City USA

Joan Umano asked if the certification was required annually and Losiniecki stated that it was not, but that there were certain requirements to be met annually. Chairman Kula stated that Joe Moore

(Public Works) should be on the Tree Board and Umano stated that he is. Kula will prepare a “blurb” to go in the Hinckley Update seeking volunteers for the Tree Board and send to Umano to be included in the next mailer. There was a discussion about residency requirements for the Tree Board and Losiniecki stated that the ordinance specified “resident.”

## **NEW BUSINESS**

° **Agenda item for discussion:** Review Comprehensive Plan

Joan Umano stated that everything in the Comprehensive Plan has already been addressed in the Harvesting Our Future (HOF) plan that was put together as a result of the grant money from the DeKalb County Economic Development (DCEDC) grant. Danielle Marion stated that the Comprehensive Plan includes land use and future development, which is not in the HOF plan. Jerry Bahl requested that the members have the opportunity to review the document and discuss at a later meeting. Umano suggested that each member take a section for review and report back with additions/changes at the next meeting. Chairman Kula felt that it would be difficult for the members to discuss proposed changes if they hadn't read the material. Danielle Marion suggested using information from the HOF plan to update the Comprehensive Plan.

## **PLANNING COMMISSIONER COMMENTS, PROJECT UPDATES AND OTHER INFORMATION**

Chairman Kula asked if there was anything new with Royal Estates and Losiniecki stated that no one from the developers had been in since late winter.

Danielle Marion stated that the BoT approved the contract for website development for the HOF plan and that HOF was working on the contract for the mosaic mural. Bahl voiced his concern regarding building owners who did not like the design or the required permitting and inspections for the mural project and Umano stated that HOF was still in negotiations with those owners in an attempt to find the right fit. Ms. Umano stated that there are a lot of legalities associated with this project and that the mural will be permanently affixed and sold with the building. She stated that liability insurance would be required for the project, as well as space for the mural to be constructed by community volunteers. There will be community meeting for input regarding what the mural will depict. Mr. Bahl mentioned a mural that used to be on the building that currently houses South Moon BBQ and described the community effort involved in painting the mural onto the building. Marion suggested that the mosaic mural be a replica of the previous mural. Bahl and Umano stated that they would try to find pictures of the old mural. Kula suggested checking with the Hinckley Historical Society.

Umano stated that HOF is also still looking into the possibility of digital signs for the elementary school and high school. These would (possibly) be funded jointly by the school district and HOF. Kula asked about “welcome to Hinckley” signs and Umano stated that she had gotten a quote from Aurora Sign.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Russell Kula moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 pm. Jerry Bahl seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: All members voted yes. Motion carried. The next meeting will be held on June 3, 2019.

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Russ Kula, Chairman

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Elizabeth Losiniecki, Village Clerk