

**VILLAGE OF SCHOOLCRAFT  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission held at 442 N. Grand Street, Schoolcraft, Michigan, was called to order by Chairperson Tim Brown at 7:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairperson Brown, Commissioners Gunnett ,  
Schmitt (7:35 p.m.), Rozeboom, Doorn and Pfof.  
Absent: Hendriksma.  
Also Present: Jamie Clark, and Larry Piper.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Pfof, seconded by Doorn, to approve the agenda as presented. All aye.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Rozeboom, seconded by Gunnett, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of November 30, 2016, and the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 27, 2017, as presented. All aye.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

None.

**UPDATE ON VILLAGE ACTIVITIES:**

Minutes of the Village Council Meetings November 7, 2017 through March 6, 2017, were reviewed for file.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Jamie Clark and Mr. Larry Piper appeared before the Planning Commission to request an extension of time to pave parking lot and install lighting in order to accommodate the opening of the Art Studio to hold art classes beginning April 24, 2017.

Mr. Piper had the following comments:

- He stated that cars can park on the existing dirt (gravel) driveway in order to allow the Art Studio to open their business.
- He stated that within the next 90 days site work including paved parking will be completed.
- He stated that the Art Studio is the only business that will be open, and that the Banquet Hall is not ready to open at this point in time.

- He stated they will have all parking areas paved by November 1, 2017.
- He stated that there will be no more than seven (7) to eight (8) parked cars at any given time when art classes are being conducted.

Commissioner Comments:

Chairperson Brown had the following comments:

- He stated that the agreement and site plan approval stated that required parking for adjoining areas was to be completed prior to occupancy, and that only four paved spaces met the dimensional requirements to date.
- He stated that the paving to the north is too narrow at 30 feet.

Commissioner Rozeboom had the following comment:

- He stated that cars could use the parking area in front of the building along Eliza Street, or park inside the building if necessary.

Commissioner Gunnett had the following comment:

- He stated that he did not have a problem allowing parking on the concrete parking area along Eliza Street.

Commissioner Pfof had the following comments:

- She struggles with the fact that the required parking has not been completed.
- She asked if a temporary occupancy permit can be issued to allow the Art Studio to open?

Commissioner Brown summarized the discussion as follows:

Does the Planning Commission want to adhere to the approved site plan, or does the Planning Commission want to allow parking on dirt until the parking area is completed?

Motion by Pfof, seconded by Gunnett, to allow Associated Government Services to issue a temporary occupancy permit based on the existing four (4) paved spaces, with completion of the parking area to be completed by July 10, 2017.

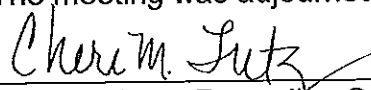
Ayes: Schmitt, Gunnett, Rozeboom, Doorn, Pfof.

Nays: Brown.

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.



Cheri M. Lutz, Recording Secretary

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Tim Brown, Planning Commission Chairperson