

**CITY OF REED CITY**  
**REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**March 2, 2015**

Jim Murnik called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 227 East Lincoln Avenue, Reed City, Michigan.

**Present:** Jim Murnik, Marlene Fatum, Dawn Montague arrived at 7:05 P.M., Trevor Guiles, Ron Howell, and Karen Lea McKinney. Janet Campau, Karen Crosson and Randy Laramore were absent. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. There was one citizen in the audience.

**Agenda** Motion by McKinney, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to approve the Agenda as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

**Minutes** Motion by Fatum, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

**Public Comment** There were no public comments.

**Business** "Pets" interpretation: Ron did some research to expand on the definition of pets and came up with three classifications:

1. Common pets.
2. Less common pets.
3. Exotic pets. (Not natural to the area)

Items discussed were: household pets, wild animals, micro chipping pets, dangerous pets, imitation on the number of pets, proper & secure habitat, constraints such as fencing, breeding, licensing, registration and permits. Also discussed were standards for the various pets, including vaccinations, outside protection from the weather, neighbor protection. Another area discussed were chickens as pets. Members requested Ron to put something together for the next meeting.

Master Plan review: Ron advised members we need to update the Master Plan. It contains a lot of statistical data and the last update was done April of 2005. The City would send out RFP's if approved by the Council. We could then have presentations from various engineers and firms for this project. We are currently a census behind. Ron pointed out the need to talk with Richmond Township and collaborate development ideas. Marlene ask Ron to contact Maynard Bluhm from Richmond Township and setup a meeting of the Reed City - Richmond Economic Development Committee. It was agreed by members, the Master Plan does need to be updated.

**Zoning Report** Ron Howell handed out information on a Placemaking Strategy Development Workshop: From Planning to Action! which will be held at the Depot on Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. This workshop is free and registration can be done online. General contact is Dan Massy, Osceola County Development Coordinator.

The former Trinity Church and School at 139 W. Church Avenue is zoned as R-1. This site was sold to New Beginnings Fellowship Church. Ron reported he had received a Grand Opening invitation to Curves new facility which relocated to the basement of the church. Curves is a franchise business and this property is not zoned for a business. Also opened at this location is a Day Care which Ron reported should have a Special Land Use Permit. He has spoken with the owner of Curves and ask them to read the City Code and tell him where it is allowed to have this business in this area. The owner is researching the code and will be getting back with Ron. Marlene commented the owner has put in \$15,000 to remodel for Curves.

**Adjourn** Motion by Montague, **CARRIED**, to adjourn at 8:20 P.M.

Jacalyn R. Beam  
Recording Secretary