

**CITY OF REED CITY
REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION
October 7, 2019**

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

Present: Nate Bailey, Marlene Fatum, Trevor Guiles, Ron Howell, Gennie Knapp, Dawn Montague, Russell Nehmer arrived at 7:08 p.m. and Natasha Sturdavant. Randy Laramore was absent. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. There was one citizen in the audience.

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

Minutes Motion by Bailey, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2019 regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Unfinished Business

RRC Ron reviewed the Self Evaluation questions which were uncertain (“no” answers) from Redevelopment Ready Communities Best Practices. Each of the questions were discussed and answers formulated and/or strategy for each question was completed. One item for review at the next planning meeting will be a summary made from the 2019 Planning minutes for members to prepare a report to present to the City Council. It was noted the new members of the Planning Commission should attend a RRC training session.

New Business

There was no new business.

Zoning Administrator’s Report

Ron advised there was nothing from the normal zoning and permit questions to report.

Comments Dan Burchett commented there is a meeting scheduled for the Smithsonian Exhibit on Tuesday, October 8th at 7:00 p.m. at the Library. Marlene Fatum inquired about the development of an ice skating rink to be ready for use this winter. Members reviewed the pros and cons for the development. Ron advised there is no money set aside and the water wells at the parks are winterized so there is no water there during the winter months. Nate Bailey reported he is working with General Mills who owns the D & E building and leases back to D & E. Their discussion is on potentially developing a retail store with General Mills products in the building when it becomes unoccupied. Conception at this time is that it would be headed up by the MOISD Career Center. The J & A Grocery is planning a grand opening for Oct. 28th. Nate also advised he will be discussing the OPRA at the October council meeting on commercial properties in need of repair/rehabilitation within the city limits. Nate requested members contact him with any properties which should be included in the district.

Adjourn Chairperson Montague adjourned the meeting at 8:47 P.M.

Jacalyn R. Beam
Recording Secretary