

VILLAGE OF SPRING LAKE  
PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
December 20, 2016 7:00 PM

Barber School Community Building  
102 West Exchange Street  
Spring Lake, MI 49456  
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1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman **Bohnhoff** called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Bohnhoff, Duer, Johnson, Van Leeuwen-Vega, and VanStrate.

Staff Present: Jennifer Howland (Village Planner), Maryann Fonkert (Deputy Clerk).

Absent: Kauchek and Boon

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by **Van Strate**, second by **Duer**, to approve the agenda with the addition of the 2017 meetings dates. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 5                      No: 0

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – September 27,2016 regular meeting

Motion by **Duer**, second by **Van Leeuwen-Vega**, to approve the Minutes of the September 27, 2016 regular meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

Yes: 5                      No: 0

5. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 400 Lake View Court:** The Planning Commission will consider a request from Clyde Alcox of Cote La Mer for a Site Plan Review for pedestrian access improvements at 400 Lake View Court, Permanent Parcel Number 70-03-15-424-000.

Vice Chair **Bohnhoff** introduced this item and **Howland** gave an overview of this project.

Mr. Clyde Alcox, 400 Lakeview Ct. C-14, explained that they wanted to add pedestrian access improvements to the garage and that this project should have been done a long time ago.

The **Commission** agreed that this was a very much needed improvement.

Motion by **Van Leeuwen-Vega**, second by **Duer**, to approve the request by Clyde Alcox of Cote La Mer for a Site Plan Review for pedestrian access improvements at 400 Lake View Court, Permanent Parcel Number 70-03-15-424-000 as proposed. All in favor, motion carried

Yes: 5                      No: 0

## **6. PRESENTATION**

- A. **County Planning Activities Update:** Paul Sachs, Ottawa County Director of Planning and Performance Improvement.

Vice Chair **Bohnhoff** introduced Mr. Paul Sachs.

Mr. Sachs explained the different projects Ottawa County had been and would be working on. Mr. Sachs shared that a tremendous amount of Native American artifacts had been found during construction of the M-231 bridge and that there would be Native American educational areas that would include plaques describing what was found along the bridge including a plaque in the Native American language. Mr. Sachs also shared that there was so much new history learned from these artifacts that a new curriculum was being created for 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders. Mr. Sachs said phase 2 would begin in the spring and that MDOT and the archeologists were working with 10 or 12 of the tribes that were impacted by this. Mr. Sachs shared many more of the upcoming projects including collaborating with MDOT and the Road Commission to add a 4 foot paved shoulder for cyclists along the beautiful scenic 17.5 miles of Leonard Road.

## **7. STATEMENTS OF CITIZENS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

There were no statements of citizens at this time.

## **8. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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Jennifer Howland, Village of Spring Lake

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Maryann Fonkert, Deputy Clerk