

City of Chisholm Planning Commission
Monday, March 7, 2011
Regular Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order** –Jonathan Spector called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:37 PM.
- 2. Roll Call** – Present at roll call: Council Rep. Steve Cook, Chairperson Jonathan Spector, and members Greg Skalko, Mike Yonkovich, Tom Tahija. Absent: None Others Present: Building and Zoning Official Steve Erickson.
- 3. Public Participation-**
 - a. Todd A. Scaia speaks to the Planning Commission on his request to have the City of Chisholm vacate an easement adjacent to his homestead.
 - b. Leo L. Lambert Jr. speaks to the Planning Commission about his aspirations of opening a business next door to the demolished “Time Theatre”, and in the future acquiring the Time Theatre property to expand his business.
- 4. Adopt the Agenda** – A motion was made by Steve Cook to approve the agenda with an addition to new business. Number four under new business would cover “The Jefferson Lines” letter. A second to the motion was made by Greg Skalko. Yes votes – by all. Motion carried.
- 5. Approve the Minutes** – A motion was made to approve the reorganization meeting minutes of the February 7, 2011 by Steve Cook, and seconded by Tom Tahija. Yes votes – All. Motion carried. Another motion was made to approve the regular meeting minutes of the February 7, 2011 by Tom Tahija, and seconded by Mike Yonkovich. Yes votes – All. Motion carried.
- 6. Correspondence/Consent Agenda** – A motion was made approving the Correspondence / Consent Agenda by Greg Skalko, and seconded by Mike Yonkovich. Yes votes – All. Motion carried.
- 7. Old Business**
 1. A motion is made by Steve Cook to approve the draft amendment to the sewer lateral ordinance. A second is made by Mike Yonkovich. Yes votes – All
- 8. New Business**
 1. a. A motion is made by Steve Cook to discuss the request to vacate an easement on 9th Street NE, Windy Hill Sixth Addition. A second is made by Greg Skalko. Yes votes for discussing the request – All. Motion carried. The discussion closed when the commissions’ debate ended.
 - b. Another motion is made by Jonathan Spector to approve the Commission in going forward with a hearing process to gather information from the public. A second to this motion is made by Greg Skalko. Yes votes “4” – No votes “1”. Motion carried.

- c. A motion is made by Greg Skalko to send out proper notices and hold a public hearing at 5:30, April 4, 2011 on the request. A second is made by Steve Cook. Yes votes “4” – No votes “1”. Motion carried.
2. a. The city council wants direction from the Planning Commission on the sale of the time theatre lot. A letter from Mark Riipinen of Riipinen Construction requesting to purchase the lot was handed out to each P. C. member.
- b. A motion is made by Steve Cook to discuss the request. A second is made by Mike Yonkovich. Yes votes – All. The discussion closed when the commissions debate ended.
- c. A motion is made by Greg Skalko to approve the sale of the lot to Riipinen Construction. A second to this motion is made by Tom Tahija. Yes votes “0” – No votes “5”. Motion fails.
3. a. The city council wants direction from the Planning Commission on a priority list for the demolition of some dilapidated homes. “A handout was given on this subject during the meeting.”
- b. A motion is made by Steve Cook to discuss the city council request for direction on the demolition of dilapidated homes. A second is made by Greg Skalko. Yes votes for discussing the request – All. Motion carried. The discussion closed when the commissions debate ended.
- c. A motion is made by Jonathan Spector to table the request to give the Planning Commission time to research this item, and table it for now to bring it up at the next regularly scheduled meeting. A second is made by Steve Cook. Yes votes for tabling the request – All. Motion carried.

9. Commissioner’s Reports/Other Reports

Greg Skalko – No report

Jonathan Spector – No report

Steve Cook – No report

Tom Tahija – No report

Mike Yonkovich – No report

10. Next Meeting – April 4, 2011 public hearing at 5:30 PM. Regular meeting to follow.

11. Adjourn Meeting – Motion to adjourn the meeting of March 7, 2011 was made by Mike Yonkovich, second by Steve Cook at 7:34 P.M. Yes votes – All. Motion passed

Chairperson, Jonathan Spector

Secretary: Steve Cook Typed by: SDE