



Proceedings of the Ironwood Planning Commission

A Regular Meeting of the Planning Commission was held on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. in the Conference Room #1, Second Floor of the Municipal Memorial Building in the City of Ironwood, Michigan.

1. Assistant Chair Bergman called the meeting to Order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Recording of the Roll

Member	Present		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Bergman, Thomas	X			
Burchell, Bob	X			
Davey, Sam	X			
Geib, Courtland	X			
Lemke, Joseph	X			
Johnson, Leroy	X			
Semo, Rick, ex-officio, non voting member	X			
Wyssling, John		X	X	

3. Approval of the November 7, 2012 Meeting Minutes. **Motion** by Davey; **Second** by Bergman to accept the meeting minutes as presented. **Motion Carried 7 - 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda
Motion was made by Bergman, **Second** by Davey to accept the Agenda. **Motion Carried 7 - 0.**
5. Citizens wishing to address the Commission regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit) (Reserved) (See item #7)
6. Audience
See #5 above.
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - a. Workshop and Consideration of Ordinance #495, Book 4, Medical Marihuana Ordinance
City Police Officer, Matt Sterbenz addressed the Planning Commission regarding the proposed Ordinance for Medical Marihuana. Officer Sterbenz handed out City of Grand Rapids, Frequently Asked

Questions about Medical Marihuana as well as a map (not to scale) showing the City of Ironwood and the proposed Drug Free Zones. Officer Sterbenz read a few of the questions from the FAQ regarding dispensaries, registered caregivers and exclusion areas. Officer Sterbenz explained the map and the drug free zones.

Further comments were received from the Public at this time. These individuals all indicated that they were medical marihuana users. The audience speakers included:

Dan Greenwood, 111 Suffolk Street
Steve Stone, 325 E Ayer Street
John, 1024 Lillfeld Avenue
Travis Hullsee, 332 Houck Street
Rose, 155 W Larch Street.
Diane Backus, 318 W. River Drive, Ramsay, MI
Scott Warren, 533 East Tamarack
George Hinkel, 533 East Tamarack
Bill, 647 Huron Street
Richard, 104 Sequence

Chair Bergman and the audience thanked Mr. Sterbenz for his time in researching this matter.

b. Discussion of Planning Committee Goals for 2013 – The group will address this issue at its next meeting.

c. Director Brown discussed the US2 project. The State of Michigan is looking to the City of Ironwood to provide input by the end of December, 2012 as to how many lanes it would like to see. The design is in progress and should go out to bid in either March or April of 2013. The Planning Commission was informed that the Parks and Recreations Committed would like to recommend the 3-lane, sidewalk and curbing option. A meeting will tentatively be set for December 18, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. with the Ironwood Planning Commission and the City Commissioners to discuss this matter further. (*Note* Commissioner Bergman left the meeting at this point).

8. Project Updates: Director Brown indicated all projects are closed down for the season.

9. Other Business.
None

10. Next Meeting: December 18, 2012, 5:00 p.m. with the City Commissioners.

11. Adjournment at 7:36 p.m.



John Wyssling, Chairman



Kim M. Coon, Community Development Assistant