

The Special Meeting for August 25, 2020 of the New Buffalo City Planning Commission was called to order by Chair Billingslea at 7:06 p.m.

Roll Call: All present. Lauer had audio problems

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Billingslea seconded by Stoneburner to approve the agenda: roll call vote, motion carried, 4-0 (Lauer had audio problems)

Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion by Stoneburner seconded by Joseph to approve the Special Planning Commission Minutes on June 15, 2020: roll call vote, motion carried, 4-0 (Lauer had audio problems)

Public Comment: None

New Business

Lauer joined the meeting with audio

Smith Street Pocket Park: Tony McGhee gave a presentation on the Smith Street Pocket Park. McGhee explained what the park would look like and that it would create nine new parking places downtown. It would include picnic tables, bike racks and would also have a raingarden. Site plans to come in the future with a planned opening of Memorial Day 2021.

Motion by Joseph, seconded by Lauer to approve the Smith Street Pocket Park: roll call vote, motion carried, 5-0

509 W. Water Street Site Plan Review, Oselka Marina Parking Lot 11-62-8550-0037-01-8, & 11-62-8550-0091-02-1: City Manager Richards went over the findings of the site plan submitted with the application that identifies the drainage plan and grading specifications exceeding the Site Development Requirements of Section 12-4 of (1) a minimum lot area of 15,000 SF, (2) lot width of 100 FT and (3) set back requirements do not apply to the parking area.

Dan Yerks, the engineer, of the project was present and answered questions.

- They will be paving everything that isn't currently paved
- Stormwater will be detained in the existing catch basins in the middle of the site
- The space will be used for boat storage in the winter
- Same use as before, just repaving
- Ingress and egress onto Willard will be paved.

Motion by McCollum, seconded by Stoneburner to approve the site plan review for 509 W. Water Street as presented today: roll call vote, motion carried, 5-0

Installation of Playground Equipment on Private Property in Sunset Shores:

Board Member Stoneburner explained that this was an additional item.

The Association of Sunset Shores is looking for the Planning Commission's blessing to install the playground equipment they obtained from St. Mary of the Lake Church onto private property in Sunset Shores. The Association needs the equipment to fulfill a requirement, children's playground. Inspections

will be done to make sure the equipment is installed properly. The City would have no liability because it is on private property. The state will approve the playground equipment.

Commissioner Comments: None

Adjournment

Motion by Joseph, seconded by, Lauer to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

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