

# City Of Hart

407 S. State St  
Hart, Mi 49420

Planning Commission  
Thursday, October 7th 2021  
Minutes

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Betty Root, Jim Cunningham, D. LaPorte, J. Wittman, and P. Wittman

**ABSENT:** G. Goldberg

**OTHERS PRESENT:** City Manager – Rob Splane, City Clerk - Karla Swihart, City Mayor – Vicki Platt, HEART Director – Nichole Kleiner, Amy Trudell, Marilyn Morse, and Jodi Ellinger

B. Root called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** D. Laporte moved to approve the agenda and supported by J. Cunningham

- Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** J. Cunningham moved to approve minutes from May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and supported by J. Wittman

- Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Absent: 1

**PUBLIC COMMENTS, CORRESPONDENCE, EVENTS, PRESENTATIONS:**

- A. Trudell introduced herself just moved to the area and would love to step in and help anyway needed.
- M. Morse introduced herself and wants to be more involved in the area.
- J. Ellinger is a makeup artist and is interested in moving her business into downtown Hart.

**ELECTIONS:**

- Chair: J. Cunningham and D. LaPorte nominated B. Root and J. Wittman nominated P. Wittman
  - D. LaPorte moved to close chair and supported by J. Cunningham
    - 3-2 vote B. Root is chair
- Vice-Chair: D. LaPorte nominated J. Cunningham
  - D. Laporte moved to close v-chair and supported by J. Cunningham
    - 3-2 vote J. Cunningham is v-chair
- Secretary: J. Cunningham nominated D. LaPorte and D. LaPorte nominated P. Wittman
  - J. Cunningham moved to close secretary and supported by D. LaPorte
    - 3-2 vote P. Wittman is secretary

**ACTION ITEMS:** None

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- Review Redevelopment Ready Community Annual Tasks  
Hart is considered a Redevelopment Ready Community and attached in your packets is Hart's RRC (Redevelopment Ready Community) maintenance which is required by the State to maintain and update to stay update. The chart is color coded according to what task need to be reviewed or updated, along with helpful hints.  
Yellow = RRC Certified: Partially Aligned  
Green = RRC Essentials: Fully Aligned  
Pink = Annual Item  
Example of some Annual items are: 1.1 Master Plan, 1.3 Capital Improvement Plan, 1.4 Public Participation Plan, 4.7 Joint Meeting and 5.1 Economic Development Strategy.

City Manager wanted to bring this to the Planning Commissions attention as we will look to have some action items coming up on the agenda.

- Review of Jodi Ellinger zoning application

Jodi Ellinger is a Permanent Make-up artist. Would like to open a business in Mr. Former's downtown property. J. Ellinger currently has a business opened in the Muskegon Area as well. Specializes in Cosmetic Tattooing Brought in front of the planning commission today to see if the zoning application could get a special use permit. After much discussion City Manager is going to get with David Jirousek and have him write up a plan and present to the commission.

- Discussion regarding revision of 1256-13 Adult Business

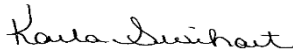
Reverts to discussion above on about Cosmetic Tattooing. Again, City Manager is going to have D. Jirousek write up a plan.

**OTHER BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION MEMBERS:**

- J. Cunningham asked if Gales IGA was sold. "Yes", it was sold and is going to be turned into another grocery store hoping to be open early Spring 2022.
- Big B Coffee is coming to Hart will be added to J&H gas station on Polk Rd.
- Status of old Ceres. Ceres still owns property and currently still does some work out of there as far as the City knows property is not up for sale currently.

**ADJOURN:**

- There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:46 pm upon a motion by D. LaPorte and supported by J. Cunningham. The next scheduled meeting will be held on November 4<sup>th</sup>, at 4 pm.



Karla Swihart  
City Clerk