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LYONS PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
December 21, 2010

Meeting continued from regularly scheduled and noticed meeting dated 12/14/10 which was canceled due to extended power outage.

OPEN MEETING 6:00 P.M.

Planning Commission Chair Kim Hunn called the Lyons Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Present were Planning Commissioners Steve Baldwin, Ed Jones and Clastine Ritchie. Planning Commissioner Cheri Doran was excused. Assistant City Manager Audrey McNerney attended as staff.

GUESTS

Mandi Atiyeh, Brandy Hill and Mayor Mike Lucas.

Hunn asked that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. She then inquired as to whether there were any declarations of conflict of interest or ex-parte contact regarding the agenda items. There being none, the meeting continued.

MINUTES.

1. September 13, 2010 Planning Commission Minutes.

After discussion Baldwin made a motion to approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2010 Planning Commission Meeting. Jones seconded the motion. Voice vote. Motion carries.

NEW BUSINESS.

HEARING OPENED

2. Mari-Linn School Reader Board Conditional Use Application.

Hunn opened the hearing and asked if the Planning Commissioners had had an opportunity to read the staff report prepared in connection with this matter. Upon receiving an affirmative answer Hunn requested that McNerney summarize the staff

report, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof. McNeerney summarized the report which set forth that all of the criteria set forth in LMC 18. 30.150 A (General Provisions) had been met and that based on the findings of fact set forth in the staff report it was recommended that the Conditional Use Application be approved without any conditions. After discussion regarding the size and location of the sign Jones made a motion to approve Cascade Signs & Neon Conditional Use Permit Application which requested permission to erect a non-electronic monument sign with changeable reader board at Mari-Linn School. Baldwin seconded the motion. Voice vote. Motion carries.

HEARING CLOSED

OLD BUSINESS

3. Discussion - City Wide Survey.

Hunn distributed and reviewed a summary of the questions regarding services in Lyons where the responses were graded from 1 to 5. She stated that she had found that the responses indicated that the citizenry felt that for the most part the services in the City were good. Most of the comments made on the survey have been input but she said that that portion of the summary was not yet finalized. She noted that with regard to issues in Lyons there were a number of people who had commented on the run down building in Mehama right before you enter Lyons. The issue of crime, rundown buildings and weed lots seemed to be of the highest concern. The response to “where to spend \$100” indicated that the most value was placed on spending the money for police and code enforcement. The highest number of responses indicated that the responders felt that there was inadequate law enforcement; however there was little support for a law enforcement levy. Hunn commented that many responses indicated that people were not aware that there was a community watch program. Hunn said that the summary was almost completed and that she had already invested more than 14 hours of volunteer time on the project. Baldwin, Jones and Ritchie said that they would have been happy to help but Hunn commented that it would have been difficult to determine how to divide the work involved. She said that for future surveys we should consider posing questions in such a manner so as to make the compilation of the responses less difficult. Baldwin asked if the summary would be completed in time for him to present it at the next School Board meeting which is scheduled for January 20, 2011. Hunn responded that it is basically done and needs only to be finalized. Meeting that date should not be a problem. Hunn congratulated Baldwin on his award for being a good bus driver which was presented to him by the School Board. Baldwin said that he appreciated the award and that he had accepted it on behalf of all school bus drivers.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

4. Review of Lyons NHMP Addendum.

Jones, Ritchie, Baldwin and Hunn said that they had reviewed the document and had no comments or corrections with regard to the content. After discussion Baldwin made a motion to refer the NHMP Addendum to City Council for review. Jones seconded the motion. Voice vote. Motion carries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

5. Submission of Applications to City Council for Upcoming Planning Commission Openings.

Jones and Baldwin have submitted their applications to Mary Mitchell for submission to City Council. Hunn stated that she would send in her application within the next week.

There being no further business to come before the Planning Commission, Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Baldwin seconded the motion. Voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Audrey McNerney
Assistant City Manager