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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF GROSSE POINTE WOODS HELD ON TUESDAY, JUNE 26, 2012, IN THE COUNCIL-COURT ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 20025 MACK AVENUE, GROSSE POINTE WOODS, MICHIGAN.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Chair Gilezan.

Roll Call: Chair Gilezan

Evola, Fuller, Hamborsky, Rozycki, Richardson, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

Absent: None

Also Present: Building Official Tutag

Recording Secretary Babij Ryska

Attendance: Council Member Ketels, Planning Commission Representative

Council Member Shetler

Motion by Evola, seconded by Vaughn, that all items on tonight's agenda be received, placed on file, and taken in order of appearance.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Rozycki, Richardson, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None ABSENT: None

Chair Gilezan welcomed Council Member Ketels, as Planning Commission Representative and Council Member Shetler for being in attendance at tonight's meeting. He also welcomed the new Planning Commission Members Tonja Stapleton and Richard Rozycki.

Motion by Evola, seconded by Fuller, regarding **Approval of Minutes**, that the Planning Commission Workshop and Regular Meeting minutes dated May 22, 2012 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

YES: Evola, Fuller, Gilezan, Hamborsky, Rozycki, Richardson, Stapleton, Vaughn, Vitale

NO: None ABSENT: None

The first item on the agenda was **Continued Discussion: Land Uses & Zoning on Mack Avenue**. Chair Gilezan stated that this topic was addressed at the Workshop meeting immediately proceeding tonight's meeting. Mr. Tutag will contact the City Attorney to determine what regulations could be put in place to uphold the City's high safety and aesthetic standards. He will also provide sample ordinances relating to drive-thru establishments.

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Chair Gilezan scheduled a **Workshop meeting** to further discuss this issue on **July 24**, **2012 at 6:30 p.m**.

The next item on the agenda was the **Building Official's Monthly Report**. Mr. Tutag reported the following:

- Demolition of the administrative buildings on The Rivers property began and is scheduled to be completed by July 1st. Neighbor complaints are being addressed as necessary.
- There are a couple of new businesses moving into the City. Hanson's is moving within the City. Ritz Camera is closing.
- The north wall of the Sherwin Williams/Mack Avenue Diner building failed. The insurance agents and attorneys are working on a resolution. Repairs should begin next week.
- The Liggett Middle School property is being secured and fenced. There are no plans for the property yet.

Commission Member Gilezan gave the **June 2012 Council Reports**:

- June 4th meeting: Council appointed Tonja Stapleton and Richard Rozycki to the Planning Commission and regretfully accepted Al Dickinson's resignation.
- June 21st meeting: Nothing pertaining to the Planning Commission.

Commission Member Rozycki will attend the July Council Meetings.

The following **Sub-Committee Reports** were provided:

2020 Plan – Nothing to report. A meeting will be scheduled for next month.

Special Sign Ordinance – Commission Member Vaughn stated the Sub-Committee had a meeting on June 16th. Council Member Fuller provided a chart comparing sign ordinances of the other Grosse Pointe communities. The next step is to take an inventory of the signs in our City. The next meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2012.

Chair Gilezan asked Commission Member Hamborsky to give the new members an overview of the 2020 Plan sub-committee. He then asked Commission Member Vaughn to give an overview of the Special Sign Ordinance sub-committee.

Under the New Business portion of the agenda the following items were discussed:

 Council Member Ketels stated that the Mayor's Mack Avenue Business Study Committee (MMABSC) has been working with Wayne County requesting that the City have permitting authority over the Mack Avenue right of ways. There will be a meeting in July to discuss the terms of the request.

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• Council Member Ketels also stated that the MMABSC will accept topics from the Planning Commission. Commission Member Vaughn stated that the Sign sub-committee will forward information to the MMABSC for any questions/suggestions.

Motion by Evola, seconded by Dickinson, to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting at 8:09 p.m. Passed unanimously.