CITY OF JONESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION Minutes of October 14, 2020

A City of Jonesville Planning Commission meeting was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2020 at the Jonesville Fire Station, 114 W. Chicago Street, Jonesville, MI. Chairwoman Bowman called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Present: Jerry Drake, Christine Bowman, Annette Sands, Charles Crouch, Jim Taipalus, Olivia

Stemen and Jim Ackerson.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Jeff Gray, Mike Kyser, Ron Gow and Jerry VanHoutan.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Taipalus followed by a moment of silence.

There were no public comments.

A motion was made by Jerry Drake and supported by Annette Sands to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jim Ackerson made a motion and was supported by Jerry Drake to approve the minutes from September 9, 2020. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:03 p.m. to hear commentary for the Special Land Use and Site Plan Review Request from Ron Gow, CR Storage, for the construction of commercial storage units in the HC (Highway Commercial) District, for the property located at 126 Concord Road. Mr. Gow spoke briefly regarding his request to construct a new 3,200 square foot storage unit and the 1,200 square foot addition to existing property. There was discussion that the Zoning Ordinance requires pavement for an outdoor storage area. Mr. Gow noted that he did not know the market for outdoor storage and preferred not to pave. He had plans for installing a screening fence, but removed it from the submitted plan. Mr. Gow amended his application to remove Outside Storage area.

Commissioners noted that it would be necessary for the Zoning Board of Appeals to grant a variance to paving requirements. There was discussion that screening and fencing plans should be submitted for review, due to the houses across the street from the property on Concord Road.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:06 p.m.

A motion was made by Charles Crouch and supported by Jim Taipalus to approve the Special Land Use and Site Plan Review for the construction of a 3,200 square foot storage unit and a 1,200 square foot addition to existing property as amended by the applicant at the meeting to remove the Outdoor Storage area. Approval is subject to the following conditions:

1. The property shall be combined with the property located at 607 E. Chicago Street to comply with the minimum lot size requirement in Section 14.09 R (1) of the Zoning Ordinance prior to construction.

2. The applicant shall obtain a Zoning Permit from the City prior to installation of wall or freestanding signs; installed signs shall be modified to meet the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Manager Gray provided the following updates to the Planning Commission; Citgo project delayed until Spring 2021, Downtown Signal Project, Rick Mahoney's retirement from the WWTP, November 2020 Election, Water meters, and current activity being investigated in Jonesville.

The next scheduled Planning Commission meeting is Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by,

Cynthia D. Means Clerk