FERRYSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 5, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jonas at 7:00 p.m.

2. Members present: Jonas, Reifel Tuggle, Carlson, Sjoberg, Weber, Hawley
   Members absent: None.

3. Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by Tuggle, to approve the May 5, 2022, agenda as printed.
   The motion passed unanimously.

4. Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by Hawley, to approve the April 7, 2022, minutes as corrected to read:

   1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jonas at 7:00 p.m.

   The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comments: None.

6. Commissioners reviewed the draft burning ordinance amendment prepared by Dave Jirousek, Horizon Community Planning. Commissioners offered comments on the draft.
   The consensus of Commissioners was to request Mr. Jirousek to revise the draft and schedule a public hearing on the draft ordinance at the June 2 meeting.

7. Commissioners discussed Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. The consensus of members was to permit these units within the City and request Mr. Jirousek to review the Zoning Ordinance for any necessary changes to the Ordinance to allow the installation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations.

8. Joe Lyons introduced himself as a candidate for a member of the Planning Commission and answered questions from Commissioners.

9. Jake Stearley introduced himself as a candidate for a member of the Planning Commission and answered questions from Commissioners.

10. Moved by Reifel, seconded by Sjoberg, to recommend to the Mayor the appointment of Heather Hawley to the Planning Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Moved by Sjoberg, seconded by Tuggle, to recommend to the Mayor the appointment of Jake Stearley to the Planning Commission for a term ending July 1, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.
12. Public Comments: None.


14. Chairman’s Report:

Chairman Jonas discussed the plans for Ottawa Sands and answered questions from Commissioners.

15. Members’ Reports/Comments:

Commissioner Sjoberg commented on the Grand Haven Robinson Landing housing project and the possibility of doing similar in Ferrysburg for affordable housing.

Commissioner Hawley thanked Commissioners for recommending her reappointment to the Commission.

Commissioner Tuggle welcomed Commissioner Hawley back to the Commission and welcomed Mr. Stearley to the Commission.

Commissioner Weber asked if any training has been scheduled. Manager Bessinger commented no training has been scheduled, however, Ottawa County hopes to schedule training sometime in the future.

Commissioner Carlson commented City Council adopted the Recreational Vehicle front yard parking exemption ordinance, the amended flag ordinance, and will be reviewing a draft ordinance to permit electric bikes on bike paths, and a policy for conference expenses.

Commissioner Carlson commented the Midcontinent Independent System Operator is projecting an electricity shortfall on the power grid this summer.

16. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Craig Bessinger, Recording Secretary