FERRYSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Reifel at 7:00 p.m.

2. Members present: Reifel, Jonas Tuggle, Carlson, Weber
   Members absent: Sjoberg, Hawley

3. Moved by Weber, seconded by Carlson, to excuse Commissioner Sjoberg and Commissioner Hawley. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Moved by Tuggle, seconded by Jonas, to approve the October 6, 2022, agenda as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Moved by Jonas, seconded by Weber, to approve the September 1, 2022, minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Public Comments: None.

7. Chairman Reifel opened a public hearing at 7:04 p.m. to consider a Special Land Use and for Site Plan Approval to operate a Day Care on parcel no. 70-03-16-401-008, commonly known as 214 Fourth Street.

   Kelsey VanRhee explained her request and answered questions from Commissioners.

   Len VanderJagt, 210 Fourth Street, commented on the traffic flow from the current business, Heaven Can Wait, at 210 Fourth Street. Mr. VanderJagt commented on the proposed fence in the front yard.

   Dan Downs, 235 Second Street, commented the business Heaven Can Wait provides cats for adoption on Monday, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

   Chairman Reifel closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

8. Dave Jirousek, Horizon Community Planning, reviewed his September 28, 2022, memo. Mr. Jirousek commented there were three areas of concern: number of children, number of parking spaces, and the size of the playground. Mr. Jirousek answered questions from Commissioners.

9. Moved by Jonas, seconded by Weber, to table the Special Land Use and for Site Plan Approval to operate a Day Care on parcel no. 70-03-16-401-008, commonly known as 214 Fourth Street. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Chairman Reifel opened a public hearing at 7:52 p.m. to consider a Special Land Use and for Site Plan Approval to operate a Brewery on parcel no. 70-03-16-275-010, commonly known as 514 Pine Street.

Jack Thorsen, 17307 Franklin Avenue, Spring Lake, reviewed his request and answered questions from Commissioners.

Dave Jirousek, Horizon Community Planning, reviewed his September 28, 2022, memo and answered questions from Commissioners.

Chairman Reifel closed the public hearing at 8:01 p.m.

11. Moved by Weber, seconded by Jonas, to recommend to City Council to approve a Special Land Use and for Site Plan Approval to operate a Brewery on parcel no. 70-03-16-275-010, commonly known as 514 Pine Street, contingent on the installation of a Knox Box and a sampling tap. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Dave Jirousek, Horizon Community Planning, reviewed his September 28, 2022, memo regarding a proposed ordinance to regulate Electric Vehicle Charging Stations. Mr. Jirousek answered questions from Commissioners. The consensus of Commissioners was to make minor changes to the draft and schedule a public hearing for the November 3, 2022 meeting.

13. Public Comments:

Joe Lyons, 16857 Virginia Avenue, commented the Planning Commission may want to consider opening up applications for the open position on the Commission.


16. Members’ Reports/Comments: No reports.

17. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Craig Bessinger, Recording Secretary