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MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING JANUARY 31, 2018

(Waldo Coordination Plan update-working meeting)

The meeting was held in compliance with the Open Meetings Law. The posting of the Agenda included a posting of a Notice of Quorum of the Village Board of Trustees. President Gary Dekker was going to be late, so he had appointed Bruce Neerhof to chair the meeting. Bruce called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. In attendance were Plan Commission members Bruce Neerhof, Tom Reil, Galan Gatzke, Jim Parrish, Paul Wagner and Jim Ziehm. (Gary Dekker arrived at 5:40.) Village Board of Trustees in attendance were Chris Madgwick, Mark Spitz and Mike Hintz; Jerry Hammarlund was absent. Jason Parrish (WFD), Kevin Struck (UW-Ext), and Michelle Brecht (clerk-treasurer) were also in attendance.

The Minutes of the October 25, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved after a motion by Tom Reil and a second by Jim Ziehm. At this point Bruce Neerhof turned the meeting over to Kevin Struck.

Kevin used a projector to show the various pages of text from the 2009 Coordination Plan that have been updated. Some of those textual updates included population levels, total number of building permits, and recent history of Full Value and Public Indebtedness. The bulk of the meeting focused on examining the Village map. Some labeling edits were made. The focus then turned to imagining land use for the next 10 years. Advance planning of future use allows for consistent zoning and growth. If, for example, a developer wanted to work with the land behind the cemetery (currently agricultural) and we have no planning in place, it would be a more difficult process to develop. The Coordination Plan would need to be amended, then a re-zoning would need to be done before the Developer could even begin to seriously move forward. This portion of property is Village owned and perhaps easier to "imagine" with. Other "undeveloped" lands within the Village are privately owned. We can't really "plan" their use without discussing the ideas with the land owners. The pertinent land owners will be contacted personally and invited to the next meeting. The group chose to meet again on Monday, March 19th. The meeting will begin at 5:30 and be held in the Village Hall.

Motion to adjourn: Jim Parrish. Seconded: Galan Gatzke. Adjourned at 6:31

Of note: Most of the attendees stayed for about an hour and enjoyed light refreshments.

Respectfully submitted by Michelle Brecht