

Village of Onekama Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes—DRAFT
5283 Main Street, Onekama, MI 231-889-3171
July 9, 2024

Members present: Chair Christopher Forth, Vice Chair Deborah Storms, Tom Foster, Susan Halloran.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Halloran, seconded by Foster. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion to approve the June 11, 2024, meeting minutes as presented by Storms, seconded by Halloran. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

The members discussed the Short-Term Rental ordinance draft and comments they received from Council members. Chair Forth made changes to the draft, and shared the new draft with the members. He will send the new draft to Village President Burger tomorrow. The Committee agreed to have the Village attorney look at the draft ordinance. The public hearing will likely be scheduled for the Planning Commission meeting on September 10th.

The August meeting may need to be cancelled due to lack of quorum.

There was discussion regarding pursuing someone to build and host a new website for the Planning Commission.

Old Business:

The next Master Plan Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for August 7th, to include new information from CIB regarding data gathering and analysis. Almost 100 surveys have been received so far. Halloran reports they have not found a high school student to sit on the Steering Committee. Halloran to get it posted to the Community Connection page on Facebook. Halloran asked if they could be represented at the Monday Night Concerts to pass out surveys. Foster offered to be the point person for the next concert. There was discussion about putting a survey announcement in the newspaper, as well as having a table at the upcoming Block Party.

Halloran brought up revisiting a business signage ordinance after the Short-Term Rental ordinance and the Master Plan update are completed. Chair Forth said it's a huge undertaking, but doable. Halloran would like to see continuity in signage.

Motion to adjourn by Halloran, seconded by Storms. All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Tom Foster, Secretary