

**VILLAGE OF ONEKAMA PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES – DRAFT  
MAY 13, 2015**

**The meeting was called to order by the chair Bonnie Miller at 1:00 p.m.**

**Members Present: Bonnie Miller, Sandy Beauvais, Ceccilia Huebner, Rudi Milasich, Bob Hall and Alice Hendricks.**

**Amend the Agenda: Add**

**Sidewalks**

**Ordinance 2-2015**

**Information received from Dan Behring – Joint Master Plan etc**

**Training Video – Creating Active Communities – Design for Health workbook (Provided by Zoning Administrator, Bob Hall)**

- **Action Leisure and Transportation**
- **Public Officials are responsible to address these items**
- **Planning Commissions play a big role as do the Counties and Road Commissions**
- **Create Opportunities – Plan**
- **Psychological, social and economic factors**
- **Need a Vision – Quality of Life**
- **Rethink planning – Zoning Ordinance community planning**
- **Access to existing amenities, open space and connectivity**
- **The increased obesity rate has brought awareness to the lack of a proper diet and the need for activity opportunities**
- **Decrease use of automobiles, build homes and businesses closer together (Planners)**
- **Rural – Review existing plans and increase density making it easier for connection to facilities (Smart Growth)**
- **Provide more walkable spaces**
- **Use tools such as zoning, sub division and site plan reviews in planning for the future**
- **Planners are a good resource**
- **Educate citizens – get kids walking therefore infrastructure improvements are needed.**
- **Process needed (Robert Wood Johnson a good resource)**
- **Harbor Springs and Petoskey are working of projects as is Little Traverse on Railway and Signage.**

**Conversation following the video brought out our need for Place Making and Connectivity via sidewalks in general and especially to the library and village parks.**

**Minutes of April 8, 2015**

**Revisions per Heubner:**

**Training Video:**

**15<sup>th</sup> bullet point following After add offering.**

**Ordinance 42 "Junk"**

**Page 3 line 9 change to read and locked.**

Page 5 Section 6 (Enforcement Penalties) First line to read: With item C. line 8, most members wanted to provide 30 days from the date of receiving notice.....

A motion by Heubner, second by Beauvais to approve the Minutes of April 8, 2015 as amended was approved.

**Ordinance 42 (November 19, 2008 Creation of a Village of Onekama Planning Commission )**

The ordinance, as revised, had been previously presented to the commission by Milasich for their review prior to this meeting.

Section 101: End of paragraph add " (quotation marks)

102 B 4<sup>th</sup> line delete (lh) and replace with (1/3)

103 line 7 delete as and replace with of

Motion by Miller, second by Beauvois to approve the corrections to the document as presented was approved.

**Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**

**Sidewalks**

There was a general discussion regarding the unattractive appearance of sidewalks within the village as well as the need for additional sidewalks. Comments:

Who is responsible for the sidewalks, Village or property owners?

How do we get property owners involved?

Would it be possible to send letters to property owners to sweep their sidewalks in preparation for Onekama Days - Beautify Onekama.

It was suggested to send information regarding the responsibilities property owners have regarding sidewalks in front of their property with July 1, 2015 tax letter.

Maintain what we have.

**Storm Sewers are a priority**

**Farr Center upgrade including new bathrooms**

**New bathrooms for Village Park**

**Park Pavilion total rehab**

**Streetscape – Heubner volunteered to research how Mesick went about getting their streetscape accomplished.**

**Dan Behring – Information to Miller**

The Riparian Plan support requested

No Wake Zone and signage support requested

Develop a Village Shoreline Protection Ordinance

Community Planning (township and village)

Onekama Assessment Today Fall 2014

**Other Information**

Demographic Profile of Michigan Cities, Villages, and \_\_\_\_\_ 2010

Council and committee minutes need to be published within 3 days