

**PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING
MAY 13, 2014 AT 6:45 PM
LIBRARY MEETING ROOM
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman *Tom Bailer* called the Planning Commission Public Hearing to order at 6:45 PM on May 13, 2014 in the Library Meeting Room.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Chairman *Tom Bailer* and Commissioners *David Reggiani, John Greenwood, Tom McGann, Scott Pegau, John Baenen,* and *Allen Roemhildt.*

Also present were City Planner, *Samantha Greenwood,* and Assistant Planner, *Leif Stavig.*

4 people were in the audience.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

a. CTC Telecommunication Tower Conditional Use Permit

Paul Swartzbart, Eccles Lagoon, said he would be referencing page 31 and 46 of the packet. The Ski Hill is operated by the Ski Club, but the Ski Hill is owned by the City on land leased from the State. The Ski Club is requesting that the Planning Commission include as a requirement in the CTC permit that all microwave transmitters on the Ski Hill be located no less than 35 feet above ground level. The 35 foot minimum regulation would ensure that on deep snow years kids would not be exposed to dangerous levels of microwave radiation. These towers are not to be confused with normal cell phone towers; these are also microwave transmitters. They use tremendous amounts of electricity. At this particular site, we need to account for snow depth. In town the effective ground level is constant which is not so at the top of the Ski Hill. The fact that hundreds of people are regularly passing by the tower when there is lots of snow makes this a potentially dangerous situation. CTC sent a sketch to the City Planner showing the transmitter located at 35 feet. Since this is not an engineering drawing and to scale it does not obligate CTC to mount their dishes at 35 feet or higher. (*Swartzbart* went on to show the commissioners pictures of the Ski Hill with and without snow.) *Swartzbart* said the average snow depth at the top of the Ski Hill was 12-15 feet.

Mike Anderson said that he was there to support *Swartzbart* as he is concerned about the same thing.

M/Reggiani to recess at 6:50 PM.

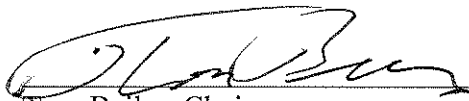
No objection; meeting recessed.

Bailer called the Public Hearing back to order at 7:00 PM.

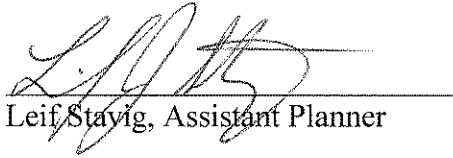
4. ADJOURNMENT

M/McGann S/Pegau to adjourn the Public Hearing at 7:00 PM; with no objection, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:



Tom Bailer, Chairman



Leif Stayig, Assistant Planner