

**PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 11, 2023 AT 6:30 PM
CORDOVA CENTER COMMUNITY ROOMS A & B
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair *Tania Harrison* called the Planning Commission Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 PM on April 11, 2023 in Cordova Center Community Rooms A & B.

2. ROLL CALL

Present for roll call were Chair *Tania Harrison* and Commissioners *Tom McGann, Mark Hall, Chris Bolin, Trae Lohse and Kris Ranney*

Sarah Trumblee was absent.

Staff present - City Planner *Kevin Johnson*.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/McGann S/Hall to approve the agenda
With no objection the motion was passed.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

- a. Record unexcused absence of Chris Bolin from the February 14, 2023 meeting
- b. Minutes of the December 13, 2023 Regular Meeting

M/Hall S/Ranney to approve the consent calendar.
Upon voice vote, motion passed 6-0.
Yea: Harrison, McGann, Hall, Bolin, Lohse, Ranney
Absent: Trumblee

5. DISCLOSURES OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

None

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Johnson told the commission that nothing had been received.

7. COMMUNICATIONS BY AND PETITIONS FROM VISITORS

- a. Guest Speakers - None
- b. Audience comments regarding agenda items - None

8. PLANNER'S REPORT

Johnson summarized the items found in his report under agenda item 8.

Lohse asked if the group that is taking the scrap metal from the land fill is paying for it. *Johnson* said that the city was unable to find anyone willing to buy the scrap, so we are allowing this group to take the scrap just to get it off of our hands. The State Department of Environmental Conservation has been pushing the City to get the scrap removed as we are only allowed to store a certain amount and we have been over that limit for some time now.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

a. North Harbor Port Infrastructure Development Program 2023 Grant Concept

M/Bolin S/McGann move to concur with the Harbor Commissions approval of the updated PIDP grant concept and to recommend that City Council pass a resolution supporting the concept for grant application.

Bolin said that if we are able to update our harbor infrastructure it is a great thing for both the fishing fleet and the city as a whole.

Ranney supports the application and looks forward to seeing this progress if the grant is awarded to the city.

McGann asked how the floating fuel dock would work in terms of financials and leasing with Shoreside. *Johnson* explained that Shoreside would be building the fuel dock which counts as match money for the grant and that is why their costs are included in the cost estimate. Also, the city would be leasing the tidelands to Shoreside for the fuel dock location.

Johnson explained that while this concept is not as fun and flashy as the original concept, this will get us what we truly need. This includes stabilizing Breakwater Ave, creating more working space, adding more cranes, removing parking and pedestrians from Breakwater Ave to reduce congestion and a floating fuel dock. While we did have to cut other needed items, staff is continuing to look for funding sources to construct a net mending float, repair the three stage, and add another boat ramp.

Upon voice vote, motion passed 6-0.

Yea: *Harrison, McGann, Hall, Bolin, Lohse, Ranney*

Absent: *Trumblee*

11. PENDING CALENDAR

No comments

12. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

No Comments

13. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Ranney thanked staff and appreciated the short meeting.

Bolin said that he attended the street lighting presentation that CEC put on and it was very informative. Since that meeting, he has noticed while driving into work in the morning many areas where lighting is an issue both to much and not enough lighting. He hopes this is something that the commission can discuss at some point.

Hall thanked staff for their work

Lohse said he is excited to see the outcome of the grant application.


McGann asked what staff thought their chances were for the grant. Johnson explained that it is hard to judge this year as we are asking for less than last year, but we are also matching much less. This year we are matching roughly 17% which is below the minimum 20% requirement. We are allowed to match below the 20% as we are a rural community in a non-contiguous state, but that still technically counts against us.

Johnson added one additional comment that on May 17th the Council will be holding a work session on housing and development incentives and the Commission is invited to attend.

14. ADJOURNMENT

M/McGann S/Ranney to adjourn the Regular Meeting.
With no objection, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

for 

Tania Harrison, Chair



Kevin Johnson, City Planner