

Plan Commission  
Regular Meeting  
October 5, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

A: David Gauger called the Plan Commission Regular Meeting to order at 8:16p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

1. Present

- 1: Jeff Bell
- 2: Danice Moore
- 3: David Schultz
- 4: Tim Foster
- 5: Rick LaPiana
- 6: Judy Martini
- 7: David Gauger
- 8: Donovan Day, Director of Community Development
- 9: Brian Marr, Trustee

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A: Jeff Bell made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2016 Public Hearing for Special Use of Stephen Emerson as written.  
Danice Moore seconded the motion

DISCUSSION

None

Ayes: Jeff Bell, David Schultz, Tim Foster, Danice Moore, David Gauger

Nays: None

Abstain: Rick, LaPiana, Judy Martini

B: Jeff Bell made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2016 Plan Commission Regular Meeting as written.  
David Schultz seconded the motion

DISCUSSION

None

Ayes: Jeff Bell, David Schultz, Tim Foster, Danice Moore, David Gauger

Nays: None

Abstain: Rick, LaPiana, Judy Martini

C: Jeff Bell made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2016 meeting of the Village of Fox Lake request for a Text Change amending 9-1-2 and 9-1-4-2 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding collection bins as written  
David Schultz seconded the motion

DISCUSSION

None

Ayes: Jeff Bell, David Schultz, Tim Foster, Danice Moore, David Gauger

Nays: None

Abstain: Rick, LaPiana, Judy Martini

IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V: NEW BUSINESS

A: Discussion regarding off premises signage and possible amendments to the Village of Fox Lake Sign Ordinance

**Trustee Brian Marr making the presentation**

- A proliferation of sandwich, small real estate signs and banners, some getting large and destroying the visual quality of the Village
- Village Board members suggested the Sign Ordinance be revisited
- Downtown businesses want to have patrons coming to their business
- Permission granted to one business must be granted to all businesses
- Members asked to drive the Village and make notes as to what works and what does not work
- See what works in other towns
- Could be as simple as a sign seen in Grayslake pointing to “Business District”
- You will not make everybody happy with any restrictions that may be imposed
- Talk to business owners for any of their suggestions

B: Mr. Gauger

- The number of sandwich boards a business can have at one time in one location was not specified
- Members should come prepared to the next meeting, with the sign ordinance, ready to discuss this matter

C: Director Day:

- No limit to how many temporary signs are allowed under a permit
- Firm up and clarify what we have
- Wayfinding signage to attract people to our downtown
- Placement of directional signs into Downtown
- Signage to be budgeted for 2017

C: Members discussed

- Square footage maximum for signs
- Existing signs
- Need for off-site signage for unique businesses in residential areas
- Restrictions for political signs
- Business directory at train station/part of package to be budgeted for 2017

VI: COMMENTS

A: Danice Moore

- “Available Public Parking” signage needed
- Removal of “Merchant Parking Only” signage on School St.

B: Trustee Marr

- Recognized Ms. Moore on her spear heading of a pollinator gardens
  - a: Ms. Moore
    - There is a Go Fund Me account for the Fox Lake Community pollinator garden/link on my Facebook Page and “Your Link to the Chain” Facebook page

VII: ADJOURNMENT

A: Jeff Bell made a motion to adjourn the Plan Commission Regular Meeting at 8:36pm.

Danice Moore seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION:

None.

Ayes: Jeff Bell, Danice Moore, David Schultz, Tim Foster Rick LaPiana, Judy Martini,  
David Gauger

Nays: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Sue Langowski  
Secretary

Copies of the ordinance discussed is available for review at the Village Hall or on our website at [www.foxlake.org](http://www.foxlake.org)