

**BROWN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR JULY 7, 2011**

Meeting called to order By Chairman Todd Vandewarker at 7:03 PM.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Todd Vandewarker; Commissioners Jack Bell, Christine Lee, JoAnn Potts, William Walters; and City Manager Clint Holmes.

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Jay Berry, Laura Carpenter, Mike Frey, Keith Redlin, and City Clerk Kelly Pavel.

**CORRECTION & APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion by Commissioner Lee, second by Commissioner Bell, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 2, 2011 as corrected. Motion carried.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES:** None scheduled.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS & COMMENTS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**PETITIONS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. **4119 Main Street – Maple Valley Plastics** – Requesting foundation, building and electrical building permits to construct a 64' X 124' addition in the lot immediately east of the existing building; to demolish the garage at 4105 Main Street and replace it with an 8' X 12' skid shed.

The owner of the property, Mr. Don Richardson, was available to answer questions from the Commissioners.

Motion by Commissioner Walters, second by Commissioner Bell, to recommend the City Council approve the pre-application building permit for 4119 Main Street. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

1. **7:15 PM - 7201 Maple Valley Road** – The owner of this building is petitioning the Planning Commission to change the current zoning of the property from High Density Single Family Residential to Mixed Use District. The owner's intent is to remodel the building into four apartments with a possible commercial section.

Chairman Todd Vandewarker opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM and closed the Public Hearing at 7:16 PM following no public questions, comments or concerns. The Commissioners discussed the recommended change. The apartments must meet the square footage requirements set forth in paragraph (6) Appendix K – Yard and Bulk Requirements of Chapter XV – Land Usage.

Motion by Commissioner Walters, second by Commissioner Bell, to recommend the City Council approve the zoning change from High Density Single Family Residential to Mixed Use District. Motion carried.

2. **7:30 PM - Ordinance 15.025** – An Ordinance repealing the City of Brown City Medical Marihuana Dispensaries Zoning Ordinance §152.300; and adding §15.025 Prohibited Land Uses.

Chairman Todd Vandewarker opened the Public Hearing at 7:30 PM and closed the Public Hearing at 7:31 PM following no public questions, comments or concerns.

City Manager outlined the City Attorney's advice to appeal Ordinance 152.300 and add 15.025. The Commissioners also discussed various associated legal issues and Michigan court cases.

Motion by Commissioner Walters, second by Commissioner Bell, to recommend the City Council repeal the City of Brown City Medical Marihuana Dispensaries Zoning Ordinance §152.300 and adopt §15.025 Prohibited Land Uses. Motion carried.

**REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS:** None.

Motion by Commissioner Potts, second by Commissioner Lee, to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted.



Clinton K. Holmes  
City Manager