

CITY OF MENASHA
Plan Commission
Virtual Meeting
May 5th, 2020
MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Merkes at 3:33 PM.

B. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PLAN COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, Alderperson Ann Schmidt, DPW Alix and Commissioners Cruickshank, Sturm, and Homan.

PLAN COMMISSION MEMBERS EXCUSED: Commissioner Benner.

OTHERS PRESENT: CDD Schroeder, PP Stephenson, CDC Heim, PRD Tungate, Ald. Tom Grade (District 6), and Ald. Ted Grade (District 7).

C. PUBLIC HEARING

No public hearings at this time.

D. MINUTES TO APPROVE

1. Minutes of April 14, 2020 Plan Commission Meeting

Comm. Sturm made a motion to approve the Minutes of April 14th, 2020. Plan Commission meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderperson Schmidt. The motion carried.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM OF CONCERN ON THIS AGENDA

Five (5) minute time limit for each person

Alderperson Tom Grade (District 6): spoke in favor of the acquisition of the Lawson Canal and the Lawson Canal Project.

Alderperson Ted Grade (District 7): spoke in favor of the acquisition of the Lawson Canal and the Lawson Canal Project.

F. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

1. Election of Vice-Chairperson

A motion was made by Comm. Sturm to nominate DPW Alix as the Vice-Chairperson of the Plan Commission. The motion was seconded by Alderperson Schmidt.

Having no other nominations, a unanimous ballot was cast to instate DPW Alix as the Vice-Chairperson of the Plan Commission.

2. Acquisition of Public Property for Public Use – Lawson Canal

PRD Tungate gave an update on the Acquisition of the Lawson Canal and the Lawson Canal Project as a whole.

The Plan Commission entered into a conversation with the following being discussed:

- The partnership between the City and the Redevelopment Authority to improve the Lawson Canal.
- The need to acquire the canal to move the project forward.

A motion was made by Comm. Sturm to approve the acquisition of public property, known as the Lawson Canal, for public use or redevelopment, as presented. The motion was seconded by Comm. Cruickshank. The motion carried.

G. COMMUNICATION

1. Set Next Meeting

The next meeting was set for June 2nd at 3:30 PM.

H. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderperson Schmidt and seconded by Comm. Sturm to adjourn the Plan Commission meeting at 3:54 PM. The motion carried.