CITY OF LUDINGTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES – 05/06/02

The regular meeting of the Ludington Planning Commission was held on May 6, 2002. The meeting was held at the Ludington Municipal Building, 400 S. Harrison St., Ludington, MI and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Tom Coleman, Chairperson.

ROLL CALL: The roll call showed the following results:

Present: Commissioners: Tom Coleman, Kaye Holman, Robert Garrett, Dave Weston, Randy Haight, Joe Moloney, Joyce Usiak and Mike Nekola
Absent: Clay Olmstead

Also Present: Building Inspector John Healy and Recording Secretary Carol A. Foote

AGENDA APPROVAL:
Commissioner Nekola made a motion to approve the May 6 agenda, seconded by Joe Moloney. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS:
Corrine Johnson, Mason County Rental Home Association, thanked Commissioners Holman and Coleman for agreeing to speak at their May 20, 2002 meeting on growth and development in the community.

MINUTES:
Commissioner Holman made a motion to approve the minutes of April 1, seconded by Commissioner Weston. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:
None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
Comprehensive Plan:

Commissioner Garrett reported that Mr. Peterson had been out ill, but was back now. They would have a committee meeting next week. They had received data to complete the written part of the plan. He said that he would report back at the next meeting. Commissioner Holman asked if the data was ready for release. Commissioner Garrett said that he had no problems with releasing the information.

NEW BUSINESS:
None

SITE PLAN REVIEW REPORT:

Straits Steel and Wire:

Commissioner Holman reported to the Commissioners that a site plan review was held on Thursday, April 11, 2002 to review a proposed 17,000 square foot addition and adjacent parking lot. The building plan was approved unanimously and the parking lot plan was approved contingent on an alley abandonment that is in City Council.

COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

Chairman Coleman read a communication from Scott Sitler regarding the House of Flavors. In Mr. Sitler's opinion, the House of Flavors is in violation of the recent special land use granted by the Planning Commission in regards to trucks in the area after 9:00 p.m.

Commissioner Nekola stated that Building Inspector Healy had already cited the House of Flavors for that violation. Commissioner Weston asked how the House of Flavors handled the citation. Inspector Healy told him that they had responded to it. Commissioner Nekola said that the system seems to be working. Inspector Healy told the Commission that his complaint had come from the police department.

Commissioner Nekola asked the commission to be aware of the Washington Ave. Baptist Church building that was soon going to be vacant. He said that he has seen other neighborhoods decline when the local churches relocated.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Commissioner Holman to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Garrett. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Ann Foote, Recording Secretary

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Tom Coleman, Chairperson