



October 3, 2018

PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA

October 8, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Fire Hall, 200 S. Broadway

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Agenda Additions or Deletions
- 3) Approval of Minutes – 7/30/2018 PC Minutes
- 4) Building Permit Information

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* This is primarily a Planning Commission meeting, but a City Council quorum may be present.*

The Planning Commission of Pelican Rapids met at 6:00 p.m. on Monday 10-08-18, in the Pelican Rapids Fire Hall. Commissioners Richard Peterson, Jamie Stromberg, Phil Stotesbery, Ben Sytsma Kevin Ballard and Dan Husted were present. Secretary Danielle Heaton was also present.

The following members of the public were present: Steve Foster, Don Solga and Dawn Stromberg.

Chairman Richard Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Ballard added Water and Sewer line ownership to the agenda.

Motion by Sytsma, seconded by Husted to approve the minutes of the 7-30-18 Planning Commission meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sytsma explained to the commissioners that at a recent Council meeting, Council Member Foster had requested that the Building Permit Issue be sent back to the Planning Commission for more discussion because there were a few more questions that needed to be answered.

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Council Member Foster listed his questions:

1. Will opting out affect Chapter 9 of the City ordinances?
2. Could this allow railroad tie houses to be built?
3. Will people be able to build whatever they want, however they want?
4. Can someone put a mobile home up anywhere in town?
5. Will this affect Rental Inspection?

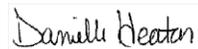
The current City ordinance (Chapter 9) covers Planning and Zoning will not be changing with the opting out of the code enforcement and the city attorney has been asked to review it.

Commissioner Stromberg suggested the rental process will remain the same, but the fees may have to increase depending on the contract with the company doing rental inspections for the City.

The hope is by opting out of the enforcement of the building code, it will encourage new houses to be built in the City and not in the townships.

Commissioner Stromberg would like to propose an ordinance change stating that the City is going to assume responsibility for ownership of water and sewer lines two feet on to private property or passed the curb stop, whichever is closer to the building.

Motion by Stromberg, seconded by Peterson to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Danielle Heaton

Secretary to the Planning Commission