

WARSAW PLAN COMMISSION

March 09, 2015

Present: Rick Keeven, Michael Klondaris, Jeff Grose, David Baumgartner, Jeff Beeler (Public Works), Jeremy Skinner (City Planner), Kim Arnold (Recording Secretary)

Absent: Tom Allen, Jim Gast, Mike Valentine (City Attorney)

Call to Order

Keeven called the meeting to order.

The February 09, 2015 meeting minutes were reviewed and presented for approval. Klondaris made a motion to approve the February 09, 2015 meeting minutes as presented; Baumgartner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Oral and Written Reports

None

Unfinished Business

Discussion of Prior Proposed Changes to Zoning Ordinance- City Planner Skinner asked for input and changes to the Zoning Ordinance that the Plan Commission would like to see in the draft. The changes to the Ordinance that were made and presented to the Common Council previously, were not adopted by Council. Specifically, the section on fences appeared to be problematic for some of the Common Council members. The Plan Commission will revise areas of the Zoning Ordinance, specifically, the section on fences and after a public hearing and approval by the Plan Commission, will present it to the Common Council for approval. Discussion followed between the Commission members. The restriction of allowing a chain link fence in the front yard was discussed at length. Commission members requested a change of the wording to define a privacy fence and a decorative fence. Commission member Beeler requested a setback of 15" to 18" from the sidewalk be included in the verbiage. The setback is needed in order to repair or replace sidewalks without damage to existing fences. City Planner Skinner will make the changes before the next meeting. Commission members felt prior revisions to the Accessory Structure section were adequate and no further changes were required. The Plan Commission will review the document next month and finalize any changes. It will then be advertised for a Public Hearing at the meeting in May and after approval of the Plan Commission will be sent to the Common Council for approval.

Adjourn-

With no further business to come before the Commission, Keeven adjourned the meeting.

OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE BOARD

- The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Monday, April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Rick Keeven, Vice President

Kim Arnold, Recording Secretary