

Unapproved Minutes
Vermillion Planning Commission
Monday January 11, 2010 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Vermillion Planning Commission was called to order in the conference room at City Hall on January 11, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Forseth, Magee, Muenster, Schempp, Tuve and Iverson. Absent: Fairholm, Howe and Reasoner.

Also present were Farrel Christensen, Building Official, Jose Dominguez, City Engineer and Andy Colvin, Assistant to the City Manager.

2. Minutes

a. December 14, 2009 Regular Meeting.

Moved by Schempp to approve the December 14, 2009 Regular Meeting minutes, seconded by Forseth. Motion carried 6-0.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Magee to adopt the agenda, seconded by Tuve. Motion carried 6-0.

4. Visitors to be Heard

5. Public Hearing

a. Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance - Amending Lot and Yard Regulations in the Central Business District.

Farrel reported that a recent building project revealed an issue on the central business district that limits the amount of buildable space due to setback limitations. Farrel noted that prior to the zoning ordinance revision that determines setbacks by averaging neighboring properties, the City did allow buildings to be constructed up to lot lines similar to the existing brick buildings downtown. Andy noted a typing error on the draft ordinance that will be corrected before presenting to the City Council. Forseth expressed concern over the appropriateness of a sidewalk serving as a buffer. Discussion followed.

Moved by Forseth to recommend the amendment to the City Council with "sidewalk" removed from the text, seconded by Tuve. Motion carried 6-0.

6. Old Business

No Old Business.

7. New Business

a. Discussion Item - Presentation of Storm Sewer Study.

City Engineer Jose Dominguez presented the results of a storm sewer study for certain areas of Vermillion. Jose outlined some of the major challenges involved with extending storm drainage with respect to the current City system. Discussion and questions followed.

8. Staff Reports

Staff gave an update on various City projects and future work sessions to continue updating the Comprehensive Plan.

9. Adjourn

Moved by Forseth to adjourn, seconded by Muenster. Motion carried 6-0.

Chairman Iverson declared the meeting adjourned 6:05 p.m.