

Bronson Planning Commission
Minutes
June 20, 2017

Members present: Megan McConn; Betty Rissman; Matt Watkins; Chad Davis; Bill Earl
Members absent: Chad Davis

City Manager Brandon Mersman called the meeting to order at 6pm and opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chair.

B. Earl nominated B. Rissman as Chair; seconded by M. McConn. Nominations were closed. Motion was carried with B. Rissman elected chair.

Chair Rissman opened the floor for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair.

B. Earl was nominated to serve; seconded by B. Rissman. Nominations were closed. B. Earl elected Vice-Chair.

Motion by B. Earl second by M. Watkins to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting. Motion carried.

New Business:

Master Plan

City Manager Mersman explained the need to revisit a Community Master Plan every five years per the Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008. Manager Mersman discussed that the City has enrolled in the Michigan Economic Development Cooperation's Redevelopment Ready Communities Program (RRC). Mersman explained that planners from the RRC Program will be evaluating the City's planning documents against best practices recommendations and will be making recommendations to the City after that review. Mersman also explained that he spoke with the Spicer Group, the planners who assisted the City in creating the current Master Plan, and their recommendation was to wait until that review has been completed before taking any action on the Master Plan. Mersman gave this recommendation as well. The Commission discussed and agreed it would be best to wait until the completion of the RRC evaluation.

Motion by B. Earl to wait for the RRC review to take any action on amending or updating the Master Plan, seconded by M. McConn. Motion carried.

Annual Report

Manager Mersman discussed the need to prepare and adopt an Annual Report each year as recommended by the Redevelopment Ready Communities certification program. The report summarizes the activities performed by the Planning Commission during the year. Motion by M. Watkins to accept the 2016 Planning Commission Report, seconded by M. McConn. Motion carried.

Motion by B. Earl, second by M. McConn to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 PM.