

**City of Marine City  
Planning Commission Meeting  
February 9, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Planning Commission was held on Monday, February 9, 2015, in the Fire Hall, 200 South Parker Street, Marine City, Michigan, and was called to order by Chairperson Rebecca Lepley at 7:00 pm.

After observing a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Lepley.

**Present:** Chairperson Lepley; Commissioners Jenken, McKenzie, Menchaca, and, Skwiars; City Commissioner Simpson; Acting City Manager Tillery; and, City Clerk Baxter

**Absent:** Commissioner Gabler

Motion by Commissioner Menchaca, seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to excuse Commissioner Gabler from the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Approve Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Menchaca, seconded by Commissioner Simpson, to approve the Agenda, as amended. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Approve Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Menchaca, to approve the August 11, 2014 Minutes of the Planning Commission, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Communications**

The following Communication was presented:

- ❖ Michigan Citizen Planner ~ Conflict of Interest Legal Precedents

Motion by Commissioner Menchaca, seconded by City Commissioner Simpson, to accept and file the Communication.

Commissioners McKenzie and Skwiers stated that in order to vote in favor of the communication, they needed clarification from our City Attorney.

Ayes: Lepley, Jenken, Menchaca, Simpson. Nays: McKenzie, Skwiers. Motion Carried.

### **Public Comment**

No residents addressed the Commission.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### ***Marine City Master Plan***

A copy of Marine City's Master Plan (updated in 2011) was provided to each Commissioner. Chairperson Lepley reminded Board members that all decisions made by the Board must be based on the plan. Due to the plan expiring in 2016, City Commissioner Simpson said the Board is responsible for revisiting the plan, but they do not have to bring someone in from the outside to do so. A simple review may be completed by the Planning Commission to determine if any changes are needed.

#### ***Non-Motorized Transportation Plan***

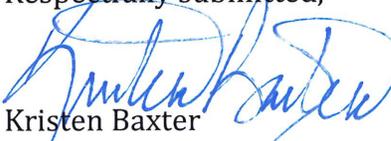
City Commissioner Simpson said a request came from the City Commission in October, 2013 for the Planning Commission to create a Non-Motorized Transportation Plan (under Complete Streets) for adoption by the City Commission. The plan was to determine all modes of transportation for the city and provide appropriate accommodations for bicyclists, pedestrians, transit users and persons of all ages and abilities.

Mr. Simpson felt it was time to get the plan back on the radar and take a look at the non-motorized options in the city and explore how the Board would like to move forward.

### **Adjournment**

Motion by City Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Menchaca, to adjourn at 7:26 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Kristen Baxter