# Minutes of the Planning Commission Sheffield Lake, Ohio February 19, 2009

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was held Thursday, February 19, 2009. Chairman Jancura called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

### **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

Present: Jancura, McClelland, Huska, Belaska, Bracale

**MINUTES:** \*Motion by McClelland to accept the November 20, 2008 minutes as presented. Yeas All.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

**REPORT FROM COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE:** Chairman Jancura asked anything going on with the city zoning study? Representative Huska answered no we are still waiting and I thought David would be here tonight. We were going to wait for this meeting to go over what we didn't go over the last time.

**REPORT FROM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEMBER:** Mr. McClelland advised we had an interesting meeting last night, it had to do with Abbe Road Lumber and a use variance. Chairman Jancura asked what did you actually grant, I heard what Diana said. Mr. McClelland answered basically the idea was that the use variance was granted to only apply to the inside where they had retail in the past at Abbe Road. I think the idea of that is to not have flea markets or anything like that going on in that area.

### PRESENTATIONS: None.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

City zoning study – Mr. McClelland explained the city zoning study is like a rumpus bird that is a bird that flies in ever decreasing concentric circles until it flies up its own rear-end. We have been on and off of that study for 5 years? Chairman Jancura answered yes, I think so. Mr. McClelland added people have resigned over it. Chairman Jancura stated so it is very contentious. Mr. Bracale asked may I ask why? Mr. McClelland answered with the understanding that I am speaking from relatively narrow point of view, it seems to some of the people who resigned that an awful lot of work was done that was presented to Council and then just ignored. Now I am sure that Council has a different stretch on that. Chairman Jancura advised it couldn't be acted upon at the time, there are a lot of other things that had to happen first. Mr. Bracale asked it is still on the back burner as we speak? Chairman Jancura answered no it has moved up the rector scale but it is not bringing down the house yet but it is

moving up the rector scale, I mean steps have been taken. It took 5 years for them to take a step. Representative Huska advised no actually it took until I got up here. Chairman Jancura concurred yes it actually started to move then, that was the first movement. Mr. McClelland stated think of how long that has been now because it has not been that long. Representative Huska advised well we haven't had meetings either Miles every month. So we need to go back to that also, it is not as though we have had a meeting every month – we have not and this all takes time to review this and then for me to take it back and then I think the Law Director pretty well explained it the last time he was here. I found, I have all my notes hid in this book so that when I come to the Planning Commission. Chairman Jancura advised Miles, I know you are a part of it but it is government operation. Mr. Bracale stated that explains it right? Chairman Jancura stated talk to the Committees in other cities, you are going to get the same kind of thing. Mr. McClelland clarified I am not complaining, I am just saying that is why people have resigned - I am still here. Chairman Jancura stated you can't take it too personal. What the study is itself is we basically took the city and it has already been generally zoned but then you have a lot of spot zoning where they took this residential corner and built it commercial with a gas station there or something like that. So you have a mech-mach of no continuity, so what we tried to do is provide continuity. You know this are should be business and you know we have different classifications – B1, B2, B3 and you just basically try and make a much more cohesive in planning for the future type of rezoning. It doesn't make a house all of a sudden in a business district - all it means is if that house ever is knocked down and rebuilt or something like that then it will go back to business. So that is what it was and we just had one big section at shoreway plaza where we didn't know what to do with because the city didn't know what they wanted to do with it and we kind of have to know what the city wants to do before we can come up with. Mr. Bracale asked so it is not a vision somewhere that we need to be looking and referencing right? Chairman Jancura answered yes. So that brings you up to speed on what the city zoning is.

The Board reviewed the available map of the city. However, Mrs. Belaska advised she has the entire Sheffield Lake on CD. If you want I could bring my computer next time because I am an operating engineer and I have had access to survey maps, etc. We can actually set up a table, put the CD in and put it on the screen with a projector and have the whole map blown up big. I have 2 CD's – would that be something that you would be interested in? Chairman Jancura stated I would like a CD. Mrs. Belaska advised I will see if I can get you one. Mr. Bracale stated I would like a copy of that. There was a brief discussion on maps.

**NEW BUSINESS: None.** 

**CITIZENS' COMMENTARY: None.** 

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**MEETING ADJOURNED:** With no further business before this committee, \*Motion by Bracale to adjourn at 7:10 PM. Yeas All.

**CLERK OF COMMITTEE AFFIRMATION**: This meeting of the City Committee of the City of Sheffield Lake, Ohio was held and conducted under All Rules and Regulations Governing the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio as they may apply. All meetings are recorded and available in Councils Office.

CLERK OF COUNCIL/COMMITTEES

Kay Fantauzzi

CHAIRMAN

Scott Jancura

I, Kay Fantauzzi, duly appointed Clerk of Commission
Of Sheffield Lake DO HEREBY CERTIFY that this is
A true and exact copy of the Minutes of COMMISSION

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Edward R Podmanik