

**MINUTES
CITY OF LONSDALE
REGULAR PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 23, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Voting Members: Joe Kodada, Mark Ward, Jim Fried and Lance Benninghoff
Council Representative: Kevin Kodada

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jeremy Brainerd

STAFF PRESENT:

City Administrator Joel Erickson and Community Development Planner Jamie Scheffer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair J. Kodada called the meeting to order at 6:45 pm in the Council Chambers at 415 Central Street West.

2. AGENDA

J. Kodada asked if anyone had any additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda.

A motion was made by Ward and seconded by Fried to approve the agenda as presented.
Vote for: J. Kodada, Ward, Fried and Benninghoff; Against: None. Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

J. Kodada asked if anyone had any additions, deletion, or corrections to the Minutes.

A motion was made by Benninghoff and seconded by Ward to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2022 Regular Meeting. Vote for: J. Kodada, Ward, Fried and Benninghoff; Against: None. Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

a. Introduction of Community Development Planner Jamie Scheffer
Erickson introduced Scheffer and she provided her background and experience.
Commissioners expressed their welcome to Scheffer.

- b. Nominate and Elect Planning and Zoning Commission Officers for 2023
Discussion was held and consensus was reached to keep officers the same and appoint Scheffer as secretary.

A motion was made by Fried and seconded by Ward to keep officers the same for 2023 and appoint Scheffer as secretary. Vote for: Kodada, Ward, Fried and Benninghoff; Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

- c. Goals/Objectives for 2023
Erickson suggested that the board come up with some goals or objectives for 2023. J. Kodada stated he would like to discuss downtown revitalization. Erickson responded that one of the annual activities on that topic is code enforcement letters that are sent out in the spring. Fried stated that the commission should talk about specific areas of town for multi-family housing rental units that are market rate. Erickson responded that those decisions are guided by zoning and the only current area zoned properly is by the water tower but the comprehensive land use plan could be reviewed. Ward suggested trying to develop or encourage the development of additional senior housing units. Erickson responded that there is a potential senior housing project coming to the land by the grocery store. Fried stated that something needs to be done about vehicles driving onto the sidewalk in that area and Erickson said he would get pricing for deterrents from Public Works.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

Public Comment

J. Kodada called on an audience member as they arrived after public comment period. In the audience was Steve Cherney and he stated he will be attending Planning Commission meetings going forward as it is a passion of his.

Project Updates

There were no project updates provided.

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Fried and seconded by Benninghoff to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Kodada, Ward, Fried and Benninghoff; Against: None. Vote: 4-0. Motion carried.
The meeting ended at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Jamie Scheffer, Secretary