

**CITY OF BRIDGMAN
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
July 21, 2022
6:30 PM**

1) CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Bridgman City Planning Commission was held on July 21, 2022, at City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, MI and called to order by Chair Truesdell at 6:30 p.m.

2) ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: John Truesdell, Gene Herrman, Steve Parsons, Dorothea Crocker, Tom Woerdehoff, Richard Kading, Joan Hurray

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Also present were City Manager Ganum, Building Official Mattner, and 5 interested citizens

3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGINACE

Led by the board.

4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as printed by Parsons, seconded by Woerdehoff.
Voice vote, motion passed.

5) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes as amended to correct the spelling of Herrman's last name by Herrman and seconded by Woerdehoff.
Voice vote, motion passed.

6) HEARING OF CITIZENS:

None.

7) OLD BUSINESS:

None

8) PUBLIC HEARING:

Chairman Truesdell opened the Public Hearing at 6:35 pm.

Christopher Betts owner Transient Artisan Ales presented his application for Conditional rezoning to Transitional Industrial District use and his needs for storage as part of Transient Artisan Ales production.

Jan Trapani, Maplewood resident has concerns regarding Mr. Betts lack of detail concerning the warehouse building. She would like him to hold up his part of bargain to clean up the trash.

Bill Boyd, 9511 Dunewood Dr., and owner at 4321 Lake Street feels strongly this is a tourist destination and the property is not well cared for and can be viewed from other businesses and rentals.

No emails or letters were received.

Commission members discussed multiple concerns and the wish to see an amended proposal with more specifics around storage needs and modifications that would be made from Mr. Betts.

Senica clarified what a recorded deed would entail as part of the potential changes to any proposal. She also explained that if the owner's presented conditions with an amendment to the application, were not met, that enforcement mechanisms including the proposed rezoning could revert to its original classification.

Mattner also presented that this is the only tool currently available to the owners without changes to the City Ordinances and that would have a larger impact on the downtown district as a hole if a change to ordinance would be made.

Mr. Betts stated he plans to reexamine his proposal and be more specific about the improvements he intends to make.

Public Hearing was Closed at 7:26 pm.

9) NEW BUSINESS

Motion to table item 9a, consideration of amending the Bridgman Zoning ordinance for a conditional rezoning until July 28, 2022, at 5:30pm made by Crocker and supported by Hurray.

Roll Call Vote: motion passed

Ayes: Truesdell, Herrman, Parsons, Crocker, Woerdehoff, Kading, Hurray.

Nays: None

10)STAFF UPDATE:

Ganum discussed the need for public education of oak wilt and his commitment to find a neutral educator for the community.

Mattner discussed Casey's moving forward but are waiting on permits form the state of Michigan. Hoping to open by November.

The County Drain Commissioner will be attending the next City Council meeting on August 15th, seeking support from the city regarding the Hidden Creek Drain.

11) ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Woerdehoff, seconded by Herrman at 7:42 pm.
Voice vote motion passed.

Tom Woerdehoff
Secretary

Sarah Karl
City Clerk

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