

**Barnesville Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 5, 2009**

The regular meeting of the Barnesville Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Merlin Strom at 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Steve Mortenson, Paul Karsnia, Merlin Strom, Pat Berndt, Margaret Follingstad, Matthew Wever, and Karen Lauer, Zoning Administrator.

Members absent: Mike Detloff, Mike Osten.

Others present: Cliff Johnson, Don Sakry, Cal Boen, Jaye Abarr, Delyle Fankhanel, Dennis Braton and Pam Aakre of the Barnesville Record-Review.

The oath of office was completed by Paul Karsnia.

AGENDA

01-05-09-01 Motion by Mortenson and seconded by Follingstad to approve the agenda with the addition of Officer Elections. Unanimously carried.

MINUTES

01-05-09-02 Motion by Berndt and seconded by Mortenson to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2008 meeting. Unanimously carried.

PROPOSED REPLAT/REZONING OF HEARTLAND ADDITION

Karen Lauer reported that the public hearing for the proposed replat/rezoning of Heartland Addition has been postponed until the February meeting.

TEMPORARY BUILDINGS

Karen Lauer reported that she has been doing research on temporary building regulations but has nothing to report at this time.

PUBLIC HEARING: CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT REQUEST FROM LEADERSHIP BARNESVILLE PROJECT TEAM TO ERECT WELCOME TO BARNESVILLE SIGN

01-05-09-03 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Mortenson to open the public hearing on the conditional use permit request from Leadership Barnesville Project Team to erect a Welcome to Barnesville sign at 6:38 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Cliff Johnson presented a picture showing the proposed Welcome to Barnesville sign. The sign is similar to signs located at the other entrances to Barnesville. The sign will be painted and will be landscaped. Karen Lauer noted that the required publications and notices were completed. No letters or calls were received prior to the meeting.

01-05-09-04 Motion by Mortenson and seconded by Follingstad to close the public hearing at 6:44 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Karen Lauer noted that the site for the proposed sign is in an R-2 Zone. The proposed conditions on the CUP relate to the requirements in the sign ordinance. The site triangle measurements appear to be OK for the proposed location of the sign. Cliff Johnson noted that the project team took care to make sure the placement of the sign would not create vision blockages.

01-05-09-05 Motion by Mortenson and seconded by Follingstad to recommend to the City Council to approve the conditional use permit request from Leadership Barnesville Project Team to erect a Welcome to Barnesville at the corner of Front Street and 7th Avenue SE with the following conditions. Unanimously carried.

1. The maximum height of the sign as measured from the ground will be 8 feet; with a maximum size of 32 square feet.
2. The City of Barnesville agrees to accept the gift of the sign from the Leadership Barnesville Project Team and to maintain the sign.
3. A City of Barnesville building permit will be obtained before erecting the sign.
4. The City of Barnesville reserves the right to inspect the property for conformity with these conditions.

PUBLIC HEARING: CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST FROM DENNIS BRATON TO MOVE AN EXISTING BUILDING ONTO HIS PROPERTY AT 908 FRONT ST S

01-05-09-06 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Berndt to open the public hearing on the conditional use permit request from Dennis Braton to move an existing building onto his property at 908 Front St S at 6:50 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Dennis Braton explained that the building to be moved in is 18' x 34' and the existing concrete slab where the building would be placed is 45' x 45'. The intent is to raise the building six feet up off the slab so Mr. Braton can drive his truck and equipment in an overhead door that would be placed in the building. Mr. Braton plans to add a pole barn between the existing structure and the proposed moved in building. Karen Lauer and Don Sakry have met with Mr. Braton and have reviewed the plans. Don Sakry noted that, under the International Building Code, the building is well within the parameters of a storage building, is under the allowable area for an unrated building, and the distance to property lines is OK. Don Sakry also indicated that Mr. Braton intends to bore into the concrete slab and set poles in with steel plates to raise the building up six feet. The building codes would allow this request. Mr. Braton indicated the moved in building, the new construction and the front of the existing structure would be finished with gray siding to match the fence. Electricity would be needed in the moved in building for lights and for the overhead door. It was noted that, since this is not a dwelling unit, the electrical work would need to be complete by a contractor and not the owner of the property. The Planning Commission discussed with Mr. Braton the need to complete the project within the timelines indicated in the conditions of the CUP. Don Sakry indicated a temporary Certificate of Occupancy could be issued with the stipulation that certain items need to be completed by a specified date. Karen Lauer noted that the required publishing and mailings had been completed. No calls or letters were received prior to the meeting.

01-05-09-07 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Karsnia to close the public hearing on the conditional use permit request from Dennis Braton to move an existing building onto his property at 908 Front St S at 7:15 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Karen Lauer reviewed the proposed conditions for the CUP request with the Planning Commission.

01-05-09-08 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Berndt to recommend to the City Council to approve the conditional use permit request from Dennis Braton to move an existing building onto his property at 908 Front St S with the following conditions. Unanimously carried.

1. Dennis Braton must apply for a building permit prior to work commencing.
2. All construction will adhere to the standards of the International Building Code.
3. By July 31, 2009 the structure will be in-place, raised with the garage door installed on the west end, the in-fill construction will be completed and the moved in building, the in-fill construction and the west face of the existing building will be sided with grey vertical steel to match the existing fence.
4. By September 1, 2009, the moved-in structure shall be lined with either drywall or a steel liner to minimize fire damage.
5. All current fire extinguishers in the existing building must be tested and an additional fire extinguisher should be added to the addition by July 31, 2009.
6. The City of Barnesville reserves the right to inspect the property on a regular basis for conformity with these conditions.
7. A permanent Certificate of Occupancy will be issued on or before September 1, 2009.

BUILDING PERMIT LIST

Buildings permits for December 2008 were reviewed.

OTHER ZONING CONCERNS – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

01-05-09-09 Motion by Follingstad and seconded by Karsnia to elect Merlin Strom as Chairman, Steve Mortenson as Vice Chair, and Pat Berndt as Secretary/Treasurer. Unanimously carried.

The next Planning Commission meeting is Monday, February 2, 2009 at 6:30 p.m.

01-05-09-10 Motion by Mortenson and seconded by Follingstad to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. Unanimously carried.

Submitted by:

Pat Berndt
Planning Commission Secretary