



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLANNING
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF STACY IN THE COUNTY
OF CHISAGO AND THE STATE OF MINNESOTA
PURSUANT TO DUE CALL AND NOTICE THEREOF**

**REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2018, 7:00p.m.
30955 FOREST BOULEVARD STACY MN**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair M. Ness at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

Present: Jim Ness, Mark Ness, and Michelle Boeck

Absent: Marie Noe

Others Present: None

Agenda

Additions to the Agenda:

- Chair and Co-Chair
- Rabbits and Quail in the Residential Zoning District
- Fire Inspection Ordinance

Motion by J. Ness to approve the agenda as amended. Second by M. Boeck. Members J. Ness, M. Boeck, and M. Ness voted yes. Chair M. Ness declared the motion carried.

Appointment of Chair and Co-Chair

Motion by J. Ness that M. Ness remain as Chair. Second by M. Boeck. Members J. Ness, M. Ness, and M. Boeck voted yes. Chair M. Ness declared the motion carried.

The commission decided not to appoint a co-chair.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by J. Ness to approve the minutes as presented. Second by M. Boeck. Members J. Ness, M. Boeck, and M. Ness voted yes. Chair M. Ness declared the motion carried.

Council Update

Chair M. Ness stated that the council would like the commission to review the fire inspection ordinance.

Public Hearing 7:05-7:15p.m.

Chair M. Ness closed the Planning Commission meeting and opened the Public Hearing at 7:05pm.

The purpose of the public hearing is to gather public input on amending the City Code regulating:

- Section 153.050(F) Uses requiring a conditional use permit
- Section 153.051(D) Conditional uses

There was no public comment.

New Business

Rabbits and Quail in Residential Districts

City code section 92.01 defines a domestic animal: those animals commonly accepted as domesticated household pets. Unless otherwise defined, domestic animals shall include dogs, cats, caged birds, gerbils, hamsters, guinea pigs, domesticated rabbits, fish, non-poisonous, non-venomous and non-constricting reptiles or amphibians, and other similar animals.

City code section 153.056 Agricultural District allows both rabbits and game birds.

The commission determined that the raising of both rabbits and quail in the residentially zoned areas of the city is not allowed. By definition above a domestic animal is considered a pet.

Fire Inspection Ordinance

The current city code section regulating fire inspection lacks an enforcement provision; the city attorney and building inspector will provide the clerk with proposed amendments for review of the commission.

Old Business

Action on Public Hearing

Motion by J. Ness to recommend that the council approve changes to city code section 153 adding daycare group nursery as a conditional use in 153.050(F) and 153.051(D). Second by M. Boeck. Members J. Ness, M. Boeck, and M. Ness voted yes. Chair M. Ness declared the motion carried.

Sign Ordinance

Changes to the sign ordinance:

- The definition of Building Sign will read: any sign attached or supported by a building, not parallel to the building wall in which its attached.
- The tables regulating allowed signage will be changed to be by district rather than by sign.
- Canopy and awning signs will be a percentage of the total size of the canopy or awning.
- A-Frame signs – size 6sq. ft. each side, not to be located on the sidewalk and displayed only during daylight business hours.
- Should electronic signs be allowed in parks? It was decided previously not – but we should document why not to allow them. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

None

Open Discussion

Adjourn at 8:00p.m.

Chair M. Ness declared the meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Sharon MT Payne