

Village of Elk Rapids Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 22, 2021 at 7 P.M.
Held in person at 315 Bridge St, Elk Rapids, MI 49629

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Royce Ragland
 - a. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Ragland.
 - b. **ROLL CALL:**
Commissioners Present: Royce Ragland, Matt Conrad, Julie Farrell, Barb Mullaly, Wally Hibbard, Kim Ranger **Absent:** none.
Staff Present: Village Manager Bryan Gruesbeck and Planning & Zoning Administrator Kerri Esterley
Citizens Present: 7
2. **MINUTES:** **Motion:** Mullaly **Second:** Hibbard to accept May 25, 2021 minutes. By unanimous consent, **Motion carried.**
3. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None.
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS:** None.
5. **PUBLIC HEARING:** None.
6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.
7. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **Yarrow Brown, Executive Director of Housing North** gave a presentation on the Housing Ready campaign and the different opportunities Housing North can provide for communities to help with their housing issues. Several commissioners and 3 citizens provided questions for Ms. Brown at different times during the presentation.
8. **REPORTS:**
 - a. **Staff** – Kerri Esterley reported that things were quiet but moving along.
 - b. **Planning Commission Chair** – spoke about looking ahead at our master plan and future topics to discuss at PC meetings.
 - c. **Village Council Representative** – Barb Mullaly gave copies of an article from MML regarding House Bill #4722 and Senate Bill #446 on short-term rentals. Mullaly and Ragland reported they wrote letters to the House and Senate. Mullaly and Ragland discussed the idea of the Village Council approving a resolution to send to Representative Borton and Senator Schmidt encouraging them to support local municipalities having control over short term rentals. PC unanimously agreed on this. Mullaly reported that

Village Council had their first reading on the RV ordinance and the public hearing would be in a July Village Council meeting. Lastly, Mullaly mentioned how the Commission Appreciation event at the June 21st, 2021 VC meeting went really well and a lot was learned.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None.

10. **CALENDAR REVIEW:** The next scheduled Planning Commission meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held in person on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at 7:00 P.M. at the Government Center located at 315 Bridge Street, Elk Rapids, Michigan.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: Hibbard **Second:** Conrad. By unanimous consent, **Motion Carried.**