

**APPROVED**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 7:00 P.M. – MAY 23, 2017**  
**GOVERNMENT CENTER – 315 BRIDGE ST.**

**The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M by CHAIR, WALLY HIBBARD. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.**

**ROLL CALL: MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair, Wally Hibbard; Vice-Chair, Royce Ragland; Council Representative, Barb Mullaly; Becky Lancaster, Lauren Dake; Richard Smith; Jim Okonoski. Also present, Secretary Elaine Glowicki; Steve, Ravezzani, Zoning Administrator**

**MOTION by MULLALY second by LANCASTER to approve the Planning Commission Minutes dated April 25, 2017 as presented. All members present voting yes. MOTION CARRIED.**

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST: NONE**

**CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**a. CONTINUED DISCUSSION – ALTERNATIVE HOUSING NEEDS IN THE VILLAGE OF ELK RAPIDS:**

At the January, February, March Planning Meetings, Zoning Administrator Ravezzani has been submitting monthly updates to the commission members regarding Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU). The members have been discussing the need for new housing alternatives that respect the look and scale of single-family neighborhoods. At the May Meeting, the planning members requested Zoning Administrator Ravezzani to continue the review of the Village Code of Ordinances and to furnish a draft Accessory Dwelling Unit Survey (2017) to Village residents, property owners and those employees who work in the Village.

Ravezzani has presented a draft survey that was approved by the planning members with a couple of miniscule changes. Zoning Administrator, Ravezzani and Planning Chair, Hibbard to prepare the survey for publication in the Elk Rapids News and placed on-line. Surveys to be returned by June 12<sup>th</sup>.

**NEW BUSINESS: NONE**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Rich Smith e-mail: ACOE Regulatory Program presentation on June 22, 2017, 9am at Grand Traverse County Governmental Center. This is an outreach event that will provide an overview of the Regulatory program for work in waterways, wetlands, and along shorelines. This is a free event and everyone is welcome.

**REPORTS:** Planning & Zoning Administrator, Steve Ravezzani presented the monthly report for April 30, 2017. Additional remarks by Ravezzani:

- No information has been received from owner Peter Heese regarding the development of his US 31 property. Received information from Heidi Shaffer, Antrim County Soil Erosion Officer that the conversation has been held with the property owner that the property needs to be seeded in accordance with the Soil Erosion Permit requirements.

**COUNCIL REPORT:** Member Mullaly reported on council news:

- Thanked the Green ER for sponsoring their May Events.
- Medical Marihuana Resolution
- Lease Agreement with Speedway/US 31
- Water Tower work completed

**ZBA Representative, Lauren Dake**

- No requests for ZBA variances.

**Planning Member, Royce Ragland** commented on the successful events involving Green Elk Rapids such as Earth Day Workshop; Storm Drain labeling project; Super Recycling, Community tour of new waste water treatment plant, plus Water Walkers, author Carol Trembath; MDOT highway pick-up teams, Before The Flood documentary shown at the Cinema; Community Hike at site of former Camp Maplehurst.

50 Trees to be planted in June.

**NEXT PLANNING MEETING: JUNE 27, 2017**

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:48 p.m.**

**Elaine Glowicki, Recording Secretary**