

MINUTES
MANHATTAN URBAN AREA PLANNING BOARD
City Commission Room, City Hall
1101 Poyntz Avenue
May 19, 2014
7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Morse, Chairperson; Phil Anderson, Vice-Chairperson; Gary Stith; John Ball; and Jerry Reynard;

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ron Hageman

STAFF PRESENT: Eric Cattell, Assistant Director for Planning; Chad Bunker, Senior Planner; and, Kevin Credit, Planner.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one spoke.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 5, 2014, MANHATTAN URBAN AREA PLANNING BOARD MEETING.

APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT OF HARDWOOD ADDITION, NO. 2, GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE END OF SPRING HILL LANE, A CUL-DE-SAC THAT INTERSECTS WITH BLUEMONT SCENIC DRIVE. (APPLICANT/OWNER: RICHARD E. TOWERS, WANN H. TOWERS AND MARY L. ROUSEY.)

Stith moved that the Board approve the Consent Agenda. Ball seconded the motion, which passed on a vote of 5-0.

WORK SESSION AGENDA

1. Update - Revision of Signage Provisions in the Manhattan Zoning Regulations.

Bunger provided the Board with an update to the revision of Article VI, Signs, of the Manhattan Zoning Regulations. Bunker presented the details of the sign regulations for each zoning district.

The Board asked questions of City Administration and discussed elements of the proposed draft.

Evan Tuttle, Executive Director for the Aggieville Business Association, let the Board

know that his members have had several information sessions with the City and no concerns were raised. Tuttle addressed some of the comments and concerns with the digital sign proposal for the Aggieville Business District.

Kate Ryan, Marketing Coordinator, asked questions and the maximum surface area for temporary sign be increased from the proposed thirty-two (32) square feet. The Board discussed Ryan's proposal.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

Cattell gave a brief update of the Comprehensive Plan meetings held during the week of May 12th. He also reminded citizens that they can visit www.ManhattanArea2035.com to learn more about the project and provide feedback on this phase of the Plan update process.

Morse called attention to the Community Needs Assessment survey for Riley and Pottawatomie Counties and urge the public to participate in that survey.

Anderson commented on the Comprehensive Plan meetings and how well they were organized and attended. He also made mention of a recent article in The Manhattan Mercury about Riley County's health report and statistics regarding housing quality in Riley County. He urged the Board to think of ways that this could be addressed in the Comprehensive Plan update process.

Morse echoed Anderson's comments on the recent meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric Cattell, Assistant Director for Planning; Chad Bunger, Senior Planner