CITY OF PLAINWELL
MINUTES
Planning Commission/ Public Hearing
October 20, 2021

1. Call to Order at 7:00 p. m. by Colingsworth
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
3. Roll Call: Present: Rachel Colingsworth, Stephen Bennett, Jay Lawson, Lori Steele, Gary Sausaman, Dale Burnham, Jim Higgs
4. Approval of Minutes – 09/15/2021
   Lawson motioned to approve minutes Sausaman seconded. All in favor to approve minutes and place them on file.
5. Chairperson's Report: - None
6. Public Comments
7. Public Hearing for 760 N. Main St. zoned C2 Special Permit Use for a Used Car lot.
   Open Public Hearing – 7:03
   Public Comments – None
8. Closed Public Hearing – 7:06 p.m.
   Motion by Higgs to recommend to City Council approval for a used car lot at 760 N. Main St. seconded by Steele. All in favor vote. Motion Passed.

9. Fowl Ordinance – presentation by Kimberly Inman, 414 W. Chart St. regarding a change to the Fowl ordinance and allowing residents to have chickens, hens only. She suggested only allow with a permit, write conditions re: the number of hens and size of coop into the ordinance along with any other stipulations regarding caring for the chickens.
   Dawn Dean, 208 E. Brighton resident opposed the suggestion and asked Planning not to consider making changes to the ordinance.
   Planning Commission asked Siegel to research local communities' ordinance, cost and any issues with allowing hens, report back at the next Planning Meeting.

10. Old Business – Rehabilitation District, moving forward for 119 W. Bridge St.

11. Reports and Communications:
    A. 09/27/2021 Council Minutes reviewed by Commission. **Approved and placed on file.**
12. Public Comments – None
13. Staff Comments: Updates on downtown businesses
14. Commissioner Comments:
    Higgs mentioned Barbara Bredow passed away and asked the city to send well wishes as she began the first Planning Commission in Plainwell.   .
15. Adjournment: Colingsworth adjourned the meeting at 8:08 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Denise Siegel, Community Development Manager