

CITY OF MERRILL
CITY PLAN COMMISSION

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

5:45 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Derek Woellner, Alderperson Steve Hass, Melissa Schroeder, Kyle Gulke, and Robert Reimann

Members Absent: Ryan Schwartzman and Ralph Sturm

Others Present: City Administrator Dave Johnson, City Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, Finance Director/Deputy City Clerk Kathy Unertl (remote), IT Manager Dustin Brown, Johanna and James Doyle, and Merrill Productions video operator

1. Mayor Woellner called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.
2. Minutes of previous meeting - March 1st, 2022 – Motion (Schroeder/Hass) to approve. Carried.
3. Consideration of a Resolution authorizing the vacation of an alley located in part of H.W. Wright Lumber Company's Addition (Requested by West Chippewa LLC) – Recommended by Board of Public Works on February 23, 2022

Motion (Hass/Reimann) to recommend the resolution. Carried, Public Works Director/City Engineer Akey reported on the next steps in the vacation process, including legal notices and then Common Council consideration.

4. Recess at 5:48 p.m.
5. Mayor Woellner reconvened the meeting with continuation of Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m.
 - a) Johanna and James Doyle requesting a Conditional Use Permit for a church occupancy at 925 E Main Street per M.M.C. Sec. 113-100 (Continued from March 1 meeting)

The Doyle's were at the meeting and responded to Plan Commissioner questions:

- Purchasing the building which has been vacant for an extended period.
- Not registered as 501c organization. So, property will continue as taxable.
- As to parking, their services will be offered at off-hours for adjacent business district.

Motion (Hass/Schroeder) to close the public hearing at 6:07 p.m. carried.

Motion (Hass/Reimann) to approve the Conditional Use Permit for church occupancy. Carried.

6. Public Comment Period - None.
7. Next meeting – Call of the Chair.
8. Motion (Hass/Schroeder) to adjourn at 6:07 p.m. Carried.

Prepared by: Kathy Unertl, Finance Director/Deputy City Clerk