

**City of Bridgman**  
**Planning Commission Regular Meeting**  
**May 18, 2023**  
**5:30 pm**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Truesdell called the regular meeting of the Bridgman City Planning Commission to order at 5:30 pm EST on May 18, 2023, at City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, MI 49106.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Jacquie Blackwell, Joan Hurray, Steve Parsons, John Truesdell, Tom Woerdehoff

**ABSENT:** Lauren Baker

**STAFF PRESENT:** City Manager Ganum, Building Official Mattner, City Clerk Reitz

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mayor Trapani

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Truesdell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVE / AMEND THE AGENDA**

**Motion** by Commissioner Hurray, seconded by Commissioner Woerdehoff to approve the agenda as presented. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**

**5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Blackwell, seconded by Commissioner Parsons to approve the minutes from the April 20, 2023, meeting as presented. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**

**6. HEARING OF CITIZENS-** No one wished to be heard at this time.

**7. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. **Discuss Master Plan Objective 10f: Evaluate the local ordinance to support renewable energy and adjust as needed to improve feasibility and encourage use. Review examples of solar energy regulations from other communities and identify training and educational opportunities for solar energy regulation.**

City Manager Ganum presented sample ordinances on solar energy systems from other municipalities. He informed the commissioners that there would be a local presentation on this topic on May 25, 2023, at the Berrien County Administrative Office and encouraged commissioners to attend. Discussion was held.

**8. NEW BUSINESS-** There was no new business at this time.

**9. Staff Updates**

- a. **Housing Development Projects**

City Manager Ganum invited Dan Yerks from Wightman & Associates, Inc. to address the commissioners. Mr. Yerks gave a brief update on the Habitat for Humanity Project to be located at the corner of Vineyard Street and Willow Street. The project is moving forward at this time.

City Manager Ganum invited ~~Chris~~ Chris Lanert, the developer for the Babcock Trail Project located at the corner of Church Street and Lake Street to address the commissioners. Mr. Lanert gave an informal presentation to the commissioners to fulfill the requirement for the PUD.

**b. Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program (electric vehicle charging stations)**

City Manager Ganum informed commissioners that he would be submitting a grant application on behalf of the city.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion** by Commissioner Woerdehoff, seconded by Commissioner Hurray to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 pm. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**



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Tom Woerdehoff, Secretary



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Sheila Reitz, City Clerk