

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING**  
**March 8, 2022 - 7:00 P.M.**  
**9180 Lexington Avenue, Lexington, MN**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call: Chairperson Bautch, Commissioners, Thorson, Koch and Murphy

*Chairperson Bautch called to order the Regular Planning Commission meeting on March 8, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Commissioners Present: Michelle Koch, Gloria Murphy, and Ron Thorson. Also present: John Hughes, City Council Representative; Bill Petracek, City Administrator*

2. CITIZENS FORUM

*No citizens were present to address the Planning Commission on items not on the agenda.*

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

*Murphy made a motion to approve the agenda as typewritten. Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*

4. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATION

- A. Building Permits for January 2022
- B. Building Permits for February 2022

*Discussion was had on the new software format for the building permits.*

5. APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES

- C. February 8, 2022

*Thorson made a motion to approve the February 8, 2022 Planning Commission Minutes as typewritten. Koch seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*

6. DISCUSSION ITEM: NONE

*Discussion was had on potential upcoming P & Z discussion items regarding the cell tower extension in Memorial Park and the potential for another cell tower to be constructed.*

*Councilmember Hughes asked about the eagle's nest that was located on the top of the existing cell tower. Petracek stated that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife officer that handled the complaint on the removal of the nest explained to the public works that there was nothing that could be done, as the nest was only a resting spot for Bald Eagle's. It was an Osprey*

*nest, which is not regulated like the American Bald Eagle. Discussion ensued.*

7. NOTE COUNCIL MINUTES:

- A. February 3, 2022
- B. February 17, 2022

*Bautch asked about Cook's Auto Body not being sold. Petracek explained that potential buyer backed out of the purchase of the building due to issues with the realtor. He explained that Circle Pines Sausage Haus is considering the purchase of the property. Discussion ensued.*

*Petracek also explained that the old Blue Collar BBQ has a potential Mexican-American cuisine restaurant interested in locating to the building. Discussion ensued.*

8. PLANNING COMMISSION INPUT

*Murphy asked if public works would consider exhibiting one of their snow plow trucks at the Early Childhood Truck Day on May 7th at Rice Lake Elementary. Petracek stated he would talk to public works. Discussion ensued.*

9. ADJOURNMENT

*Koch made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. Thorson seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.*