

**MUNSTER PLAN COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007, 7:30 P.M.
MUNSTER TOWN HALL**

Call meeting to order - The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Mr. Friedman, Chairman of the Plan Commission.

Introduction of New Members – Mr. Friedman introduced Roland R. Raffin as a new member of the Plan Commission appointed by the Town Council. Mr. Kennedy then offered the oath of office to Mr. Raffin.

<u>Roll call</u> -	<u>Members present:</u> David B. Nellans Roland R. Raffin Stuart J. Friedman William F. Baker Michael J. Mellon	<u>Members absent:</u> John Edington Jill A. Hasiak	<u>Staff present:</u> Steve Kennedy James Mandon
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Election of Officers – Mr. Nellans made a motion to nominate Mr. Baker for Vice Chairman of the Plan Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mellon. There being no other nominations Mr. Baker was declared Vice Chairman by a 5 to 0 vote, with Mr. Baker abstaining.

Approval of Minutes – Mr. Mellon made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 27 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nellans, and then approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

Preliminary Hearing –

Petition 07-01 – Dennis Koulic, Bob Edwards, and Dennis Larson, representatives of the Munster Animal Hospital, presented a request to re-subdivide a lot in Main Crossing, for a new building to be located at 9460 Calumet Avenue, on property zoned C1. Mr. Mellon requested an explanation of the entire site and how this lot was oriented. Mr. Friedman asked if the property currently was owned by one party, to which Mr. Larson said yes. Several Commission members requested elevation renderings for the building. Mr. Edwards responded that the owner does not want to spend resources for full architectural drawings until the subdivision and variance requests are granted. He said he could bring photographs of a very similar building which was built in a nearby Illinois community which would provide more information on exterior treatment and design. Mr. Nellans made a motion to move this petition to public hearing at the April 24 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Baker, and then approved by unanimous vote of the members present.

Announcements – There will be a work study meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at 7 p.m., to acquaint the new members with there role and responsibilities as Plan Commission members.

Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Friedman at approximately 8:10 p.m.

Stuart J. Friedman, Chairman, Munster Plan Commission

Date