VILLAGE OF FRUITPORT DRAFT - PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Sep 9th, 2025

A regular meeting of the Fruitport Village Planning Commission was called to order on Tuesday, Sep 09, 2025 at 6:08 PM at Fruitport Township Hall, 5865 Airline Rd.

Present: Commissioners Sam Ajwah, Jen Wakely, Kathy Freberg & Chris LeFaive.

Absent: Commissioner Matt Kotecki

Others Present: Village Council President, Roger VanderStelt

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Freberg made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 10th, 2025 regular meeting. The motion was supported by Commissioner LeFaive and carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda: Commissioner LeFaive moved to approve the agenda for the September 9, 2025 meeting, with the recommended change under Pending Business to revise the wording from *Structure Exterior Recommendations Review* to *Ordinance Review*. The motion was supported by Commissioner Wakely and carried unanimously.

Public Comment Agenda Items: N/A

Correspondence, Reports, & Communication:

Beautification, All – Commissioner Ajwah confirmed that the Post Office will be installing an additional mailbox next to the newly relocated ATM in the old 5/3 bank (Currently Odd Sides) drive-through. This improvement—made possible through the efforts of Odd Sides and the Post Office—will enhance pedestrian safety along 3rd Avenue and provide added convenience for village residents.

Pending Business: N/A

New Business: The Planning Commission will review and may recommend changes to the current ordinance regarding building exteriors and waterfront lot setbacks. In addition, the Commission will continue exploring potential low-cost projects and pursue fundraising opportunities to support the upcoming park expansion.

The Planning Commission will be seeking the Village Council's direction and approval to reopen the ordinances, and allocate funds to be able to discuss changes with experts if and when needed.

Public Comment, General: None

Items for Review or Action:

- Confirm Next Commission Meeting for Wednesday Nov 12th, 2025 @ 6PM
- Acting Secretary to submit approved Meeting Minutes and Agenda to Village Clerk for public posting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM. Motion made by Commissioner Wakely supported by Commissioner LeFaive and carried unanimously.

Prepared by Acting Secretary: Sam Ajwah