

## **MAY 9, 2016 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

6:25 p.m. Council Chamber, Present: A. Christianson, C. Goin, B. Groothousen, A. Kaiser, C. Ostenso, D. Willingham.

### **Call to Order:**

Mr. Goin called the meeting to order.

### **Public Hearings:**

Commission members joined the City Council for the two concurrent public hearings dealing with the following:

1. Proposed adoption of a chicken keeping ordinance intended to allow permits to be granted by administrative action.
2. Possible granting of a requested Conditional Use Permit for chicken keeping to Rod and Coreen Jenness at 802 Miner Ave. E.

Although there were no public appearances, some members of the City Council and Planning Commission made comments on the draft chicken keeping ordinance, which included the following:

\*Barking dogs don't require permits, why should quiet chickens.

\*The presence of chickens might cause dogs to bark.

\*Neighbors should not have veto power over a request to keep chickens, although they should be notified and have the right to object.

\*\$25 is high for a permit fee, unless it is a one-time fee.

\*Non compliant permits may be terminated by Council action.

These hearings concluded at 6:53 p.m.

At this time the Planning Commission meeting moved down the hall to the Municipal Court Room.

Alluding to applications filed at a previous meeting, and additional copies of which were provided to members, Mr. Jenness explained that the run is now planned to be 12' long by 4' high rather than 14' long by 3' high, as was originally indicated.

Mr. Groothousen asked if this permit was similar to the one previously issued (to Dan Goin) and within the proposed City guidelines.

Motion was made by Willingham, seconded by Ostenso and carried by voice vote to grant the requested Permit to the applicants as drafted.

At 7:10 p.m. motion was made by Willingham, seconded by Christianson and carried by voice vote to adjourn.