



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Cedar Springs Planning Commission**

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

**7:00 p.m.
Cedar Springs City Hall
66 S. Main St.
Cedar Springs, Michigan**

1. The Meeting was Called to Order by City Clerk **Linda Christensen** at 7:02 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. The City Clerk issued the Oath of Office to newly appointed members: **Kathy Bremmer, Perry Hopkins** and **Jerry Hall**.
3. The Clerk opened the floor for nominations for the position of Chairperson.

Motion by Hall, supported by Bremmer, to nominate Craig Owens.

There were no other nominations.

VOTE:	Lisa Atchison	Absent
	Dale Bray	Excused
	Bremmer	Yes
	Sherri Foster	Yes
	Hall	Yes
	Hopkins	Yes
	Mark Laws	Absent
	Owens	Yes

VOTE: 5 – 0, Motion Carried.

4. The Clerk issued the Oath of Office to **Owens**. The meeting was turned over to the newly elected Chairperson.
5. **Owens** opened the floor to nomination for the position of Vice-Chairperson.

Motion by Bremmer, supported by Hall, to nominate Perry Hopkins.

There were no other nominations.

VOTE: 5 – 0, Motion Carried.

6. The Clerk issued the Oath of Office to **Hopkins**.

7. ROLL CALL:

Ms. Lisa Atchison	Absent
Mr. Dale Bray	Excused
Mrs. Kathy Bremmer	Present
Ms. Sherri Foster	Present
Mr. Jerry Hall	Present
Mr. Perry Hopkins	Present
Mr. Mark Laws	Absent
Mr. Craig Owens	Present

8. **Carmine Avantini**, City Planner, was recognized as being present.

9. **Motion by Hall, supported by Hopkins, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2013.**

VOTE: 5 – 0, Motion Carried.

10. **Motion by Bremmer, supported by Hopkins, to approve the agenda.**

VOTE: 5 – 0, Motion Carried.

11. There were no Public Comments.

12. There were no scheduled Public Hearings.

13. There was no Old Business.

14. NEW BUSINESS.

A. **Motion by Bremmer, supported by Hall, to approve Resolution No. 2014 – 01, a resolution approving the meeting dates of the Planning Commission from January, 2014 through December, 2014.**

VOTE: 5 – 0, Motion Carried.

B. Discussion took place regarding the proposed new sign ordinance. **Avantini** said the ordinance was completely revamped and enormously changed. He presented an overview of the ordinance stating this was a first draft and he still had a few changes to make and incorporate changes generated during discussion from the meeting such as window graphic language. The City Attorney needed to review it as well. Business owners also had some input that would be reviewed for possible inclusion. A new version would be presented to Planning Commissioners for further review at the March meeting.

15. OPEN DISCUSSION FOR ISSUES NOT ON THE AGENDA.

A. There was no Correspondence.

B. Staff Comments.

1. City Manager **Thad Taylor** reminded Commissioners of the Planning Commission training being offered March 6th.

C. There were no comments from Planning Commissioners.

D. There were no comments from the audience.

16. **Hall** reported on activities of the City Council at its January meeting.

17. **Avantini** thanked Commissioners for their perseverance with the sign ordinance.

18. The Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Linda Christensen, City Clerk

Craig Owens, Chairperson