

**BROWN CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
OCTOBER 7, 2010**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Todd VandeWarker at 7:03 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Todd VandeWarker, Commissioners: Jack Bell, Laura Carpenter, Dan Loutzenhiser, JoAnn Potts, Keith Redlin, City Manager Clint Holmes, and City Attorney Greg Stremers.

ABSENT: Commissioners Jay Berry, Mike Frey, and Ron Rhodes; City Clerk Kelly Pavel.

GUESTS: Ellen Brown, Frank Lukacs, Barbara Stimson, Ann Szulborski, and Charlotte Babb.

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Commissioner Carpenter, second by Commissioner Redlin, to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2010 as presented. Motion carried.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

1. 4243 Main Street – Request to install one 2' X10' sign on the front of the building and one 3' X 16' lighted sign on the upper west wall.

Mr. Eric Williamson is planning to open an electronic game store at 4243 Main Street called "Game Age." He made a brief statement and answered questions from the Planning Commission. City Manager stated that the signs apparently did not violate the City's sign ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Carpenter, second by Commissioner Loutzenhiser, to recommend that the City Council approve the request for signs on the new store at 4243 Main Street. Motion carried.

The request will be presented at the October 11, 2010 City Council meeting.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES:

1. Compassionate Care Center of Michigan – Request for a special land use permit to open a medical marihuana dispensary in the Central Business District of the City of Brown City.

Mr. Randy Crowel and a guest representing the Compassionate Care Center of Michigan withdraw his request for a special land use permit and instead stated his desire to open a facility for the sole purpose of providing information. He further added that there would be no sales of merchandise and no dispensing of medical marihuana pending future legislative/judicial action to reduce ambiguities in the Michigan Medical Marihuana Act. Extensive discussion and questions from the Commissioners and audience. No formal action was taken by the Planning Commission.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS: None scheduled.

Motion by Commissioner Redlin, second by Commissioner Carpenter, to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Clinton K. Holmes
City Manager