

**Harris Planning Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 22, 2023**

- I. Call to Order** - Chairman Siedow called the Planning Commission to order at 7:00 pm.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance** - All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Roll Call** - City Clerk Shannon Geier conducted roll call. Present were Chairman Al Siedow, Commissioner Sheri Denny, Commissioner Neil Elmquist, and Commissioner Jeff Borash. Commissioner Haley Peabody was absent. City Clerk Geier announced a quorum was present.
- IV. Consent Agenda** - April 24, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes -Borash made a motion to approve the April 24, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes. Elmquist seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
- V. Regular Agenda**
 - A. Code Enforcement** – City Clerk Geier gave a status update on the Code Enforcement issues. (1) Abandoned trailer house on Johnson property: The City Attorney opinion indicates that if the City put it there, the City is responsible for removing it. Geier has an estimate from one vendor and will obtain others before presenting it to Council. Other buildings on the property were mentioned but are not part of this issue. (2) Old Antique Store: Geier will send a follow-up letter to the property owner regarding clean-up and mowing of the property. (3) People living in trailers on Marvin Tonn property: Chisago County issuing citations. (4) Phillip Breidel property: Since the owner is deceased and Unity Bank holds the mortgage, Geier has been in contact with the bank.
 - B. Information about Cannabis/Cannabinoids/THC** – Sudah with Arco Gas Station was present to discuss the sale of Cannabis/THC at the gas station and to encourage the City to make it legal. Their hours of sales would be 4 am to 9 pm. Jill Deming was present to express her concern of Cannabis/THC sales at a convenience grocery store where kids visit on a regular basis. The Commissioners pointed out that this is a state law over which we have little control, the selling establishments must keep the product in a locked cabinet, and customers must be 21 years of age or older. A public hearing will be held at the June Planning Commission meeting to go over Harris’ Ordinance.
 - C. Mineral Extraction Ordinance** – Siedow suggested this be tabled due to conflict with pending legal actions. Denny stated this ordinance discussion has nothing to do with any legal action. Again, Siedow asked for a motion to table because members of the Council and Planning Commission have been subpoenaed due to pending legal action involving Gustafson. Borash made a motion to table. Siedow seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-1, Denny opposed and Elmquist abstained.

VI. Commissioner Reports – Siedow updated the Commissioners on the Park & Rec Committee activities.

VII. Adjourn – Elmquist made a motion to adjourn. Borash seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

City Clerk – Shannon Geier

Allen Siedow - Chair

Date Approved

APPROVED