VILLAGE OF THIENSVILLE
PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES

DATE: **Tuesday, November 7, 2017** **LOCATION:** **Village of Thiensville**
250 Elm Street

TIME: **6:00 PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mobley called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Chairman:	Van Mobley	
Commissioners:	John Cabaniss (excused)	Carol Gengler
	Mike Dyer	Ken Kucharski
	Rick Gattoni	Dan Luedtke
Asst. Administrator:	Colleen Landisch-Hansen	
Planner:	Jon Censky	

III. BUSINESS

A. Approval of Minutes
1. September 12, 2017

MOTION by Commissioner Gengler, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gattoni to approve the September 12, 2017 Minutes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Review and approval of a Variance Extension to Sign Code for Temporary "For Sale" Sign, MSP Real Estate, Inc., 200 Green Bay Road

Mark Hammond of MSP Real Estate, Inc., 200 Green Bay Road, was in attendance. Mr. Hammond shared that 200 Green Bay Road is currently under contract but is not yet sold. MSP Real Estate, Inc. is requesting another variance extension to keep the "For Sale" sign up in case this offer falls through.

Mr. Hammond shared that multiple parties have expressed interest after hearing that a Demolition Permit had been approved.

MOTION by Commissioner Gattoni, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Luedtke to approve the Variance Extension to Sign Code for Temporary "For Sale" Sign, MSP Real Estate, Inc., 200 Green Bay Road. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. Review and approval of Sign Code Waiver and Sign Plan Approval for Shore Family Dental, 250 South Main Street

Dr. Peter Shore submitted a request for a Sign Code Waiver for Shore Family Dental, 250 South Main Street. Dr. Shore recently replaced the sign face for Shore Family Dental, and the new sign face is non-compliant to the internal lighting standards as it is made of translucent white polycarb material with dark lettering and graphics. The Sign Code specifically encourages internally lit signs to have dark backgrounds to allow light to only project through the cut-out letting and/or logo.

Chairman Mobley gave a brief history of the Village entryway feature easement and agreed to work with Dr. Shore on the sign. Chairman Mobley supports a variance to the Sign Code for Dr. Shore.

Commissioner Gattoni questioned approving this request as it sets a precedence for any future requests.

Discussion was held regarding other white signs within the Village. It is believed that these are grandfathered in due to their existence prior to the current Sign Code.

It was questioned as to if a timer could be set for the sign to be turned off after business hours.

MOTION by Commissioner Luedtke, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gengler to Approve Sign Code Waiver and Sign Plan Approval for Shore Family Dental, 250 South Main Street.

Ayes: Commissioners Gengler, Kucharski, Luedtke and Chairman Mobley
Naes: Commissioners Dyer and Gattoni
MOTION CARRIED.

D. Discussion and recommendation to the Village Board regarding Allowing Chickens in the Village

In regards to chickens in the Village, Chairman Mobley stated that the current Ordinance which prohibits farm animals in the Village is easy to enforce and understand and does not believe that chickens would be good for Thiensville.

Commissioner Gattoni is not in favor of chickens and also shared concern for property values if allowed. Commissioner Luedtke stated that caring for chickens is a 7-day a week job and is concerned about the attraction of rodents. Commissioner Gengler is concerned about barking dogs. Commissioner Kucharski stated that the Village is an urban community and suggested that the lot sizes are too small to allow residents to raise chickens. Commissioner Dyer is opposed as well and shared concerns regarding enforcement as well as those costs associated with enforcing chickens in the Village.

MOTION by Commissioner Luedtke, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Gattoni to recommend to the Village Board to Maintain the Current Ordinance Regarding Farm Animals. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

IV. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Open to any citizen who wishes to speak on items not on the agenda. Please step to the podium and give your name and address for the record.

Rick Jerzak, 507 Crescent Lane, inquired as to the garbage policy and how long items may be placed curbside for pick up. Mr. Jerzak suggested sending a mailing to homeowners explaining the Village Ordinance.

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Commissioner Gattoni, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Dyer to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 PM.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Submitted by,

Amy L. Langlois
Village Clerk

Signed by,

Colleen Landisch-Hansen
Assistant Administrator

Approved by,

Dianne S. Robertson
Administrator