

**CITY OF DEXTER
PLANNING COMMISSION
WORK SESSION
MONDAY, JUNE 6, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM by Planning Commission Chairman Kowalski at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

Matt Kowalski	Thomas Phillips-arr 6:27	Jim Carty –ab
Jack Donaldson	Alison Heatley	Marni Schmid
James Smith	Scott Stewart-ab	Tom Stoner

Also present: Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager; Donna Fisher and Julie Knight, City Council Members; Carol Jones, Interim City Clerk; Steve Hanes, Federal Aviation Administration; Laura Kreps, Carlisle Wortman Associates; residents and media.

II. PRESENTATION – UNMANNED AUTOMATED AIRCRAFT - DRONES

Steve Hanes of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), who is a safety inspector at Willow Run, presented information on unmanned aerial vehicles and unmanned aerial systems (drones). Mr. Hanes gave the following information:

- The FAA has the authority to regulate these vehicles.
- If there is a problem or issue with drones, they will talk to and educate people.
- These vehicles are legally defined as aircraft and must register with the FAA.
- FAA has the authority for enforcement such as carelessness, recklessness, and endangering the property of others.
- There are two types of operation – private (hobbyists) and commercial.
- People need a permit to be licensed to fly drones and there are recommendations for flight plans especially near an airport.

Mr. Hanes addressed the topic of ~~the thing~~ what a city or municipality does when confronted with drones. They can establish what and where aircraft can be operated, i.e. a public park, but not much can be done on private property unless they are endangering someone. If you feel they are invading your privacy, call law enforcement. You can't control where they fly, but can control where the person flying a drone stands.

III. ARTICLE IV NON-CONFORMITIES

Ms. Kreps reviewed the section on Non-Conforming sites. Discussion followed.

IV. ARTICLE XX1 SITE PLAN REVIEW

Ms. Kreps presented a cleaner version of the Site Plan Review section. Ms. Aniol requested a process and procedure be added to deal with modifications to an approved site plan.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Kowalski adjourned the meeting at 6:56 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Interim Clerk, City of Dexter

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