

MINUTES OF DIMONDALE PLANNING COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
136 N. Bridge Street, Dimondale, MI 48821

March 27, 2023

Denis S. Prisk Jr., Clerk

7:00 p.m. Secretary Roesner called the Public Hearing to order and explained the purpose was to take comments on the Special Use Permit request from Dimes Brewhouse to allow live entertainment on the rear patio, “such entertainment could consist of an instrumentalist and vocalist either with or without a small amplifier” provided that not more than a total of 20 watts of amplification is used. Outdoor music must cease at 10:00 p.m.

Prisk explained that each person will be limited to one, five-minute comment period.

Prisk also provided a timeline for the request and a recommendation for support as the Zoning Administrator.

- Della and Levi Snoeyink, Village residents, spoke in support of the request.
- Michelle Rogers, Dimes Owner, spoke about how the proposed use supports the Village of Dimondale’s Strategic Plan and being respectful of neighbors.
- Brandon Frost, Village resident, spoke in support of the request.
- Alyssa Gower spoke in support of the request.
- Mike and Shelly Shaner, Village residents, spoke in support of the request.
- Denise Parisian, Village resident, spoke in support of the request.
- Heather Reagan, Village resident, spoke in support of the request.
- Laurie Purdy, Village resident, spoke in support of the request.
- Greg Warner, Village resident, spoke about the obtrusiveness of music in his back yard.
- Tammy Warner, Village resident, spoke about loss of physical enjoyment of her property due to the intrusive music.
- James Salazar spoke in support of the request.
- John Washabaugh spoke in support of the request.
- Shane Gruesbeck spoke in support of the request.
- Sarah Gruesbeck spoke in support of the request.

Prisk read the following comments into the record:

- Patricia Conway in support of the request.
- Deb Kosloski, Village resident, in support of the request.
- Carol Patton, Village resident in support of the request.
- Billy Jo Hunt in support of the request.
- Phil Weifrich in support of the request.
- Mike Chappell with concerns over parking.

With no additional comments, Roesner closed the Public Hearing at 7:28 p.m.

7:28 p.m. Regular meeting called to order by Secretary Roesner.

Roesner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call

Present: Reiffer, Roesner, Stiles, Whitford

Absent: Macak

Also present: Denis Prisk, Village Manager; Betsy Kelly, Recording Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Stiles, second Whitford, to approve the March 27, 2023 agenda. Motion carried.

Public Session

No comments were received.

Business Session

1. Motion by Stiles, second Reiffer, to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2023 regular meeting. Motion carried.
2. Roesner introduced the Special Use Permit (SUP) request from Dimes Brewhouse for music on the rear patio. Prisk presented the findings of fact from the April 2018 SUP regarding parking which concluded a lack of parking issues. Prisk encouraged the Commission to follow the standards established in Chapter 1293.03 during determination. Motion by Stiles, second Whitford, to approve the Special Use Permit as presented. Discussion followed regarding lack of parking problems and impact on adjoining residential uses. Roesner reviewed and received consensus from the Commissioners on each of the approval standards for a Special Use Permit. Roll Call Vote: Yes: Reiffer, Roesner, Stiles, Whitford; No: none; Absent: Macak. Motion carried.
3. No matters were brought forth during public session.
4. No communications were presented.
5. Roesner presented the Annual Report for member review. Motion by Stiles, second Reiffer, to approve the report. Motion carried.
6. Roesner presented the Meetings Proceedings Resolution. Motion by Reiffer, second Whitford, to approve the resolution. Motion carried.

With no additional business, Roesner adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.