

MINUTES OF THE PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
April 12, 2011

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

PLAN COMMISSION MINUTES OF MARCH 22, 2011

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

TOY CONNECTION
VICTORY MARTIAL ARTS

SPECIAL USE
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MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lou Stephens
Paul Aubin
Steve Dzierwa
Nick Parisi
John Paul
Laura Murphy

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Judith Jacobs

STAFF PRESENT:

Jane Turley, Planner
Linda White, Recording Secretary

COMMENCEMENT:

The meeting was called to order by the Plan Commission Chairman, Mr. Lou Stephens, at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

March 22, 2011 Plan Commission Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Parisi, seconded by Commissioner Dzierwa to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2011 Plan Commission minutes.

With the following corrections:

- Page 1 Under STEPHENS, line 2, change require to requirement.
- Page 5 Under AUBIN, line 1, change presidents to precedents.
- Page 5 Under RAYMAN, first line last paragraph, change along to a long.

(Motion passed... 5-0 with Commissioner Murphy abstaining)

STEPHENS: Noted that Plan Commissioner John Paul was not on listed on the agenda, nor is he listed on the website. He also asked that we be sure Commissioner Murphy is on the website.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

2011 – 0192 Toy Box Connection
Special Use Permit

TURLEY: Staff presentation made in accordance with the written Staff Report dated April 12, 2011 as presented.

STEPHENS: Asked the petitioner to come up to be sworn in to answer questions.

AUBIN: Swore in: Michelle Maxia, 13726 Woodridge lane, Orland Park, Il

MAXIA: I am an Orland Park resident this is our 4th year. I think, given the opportunity we will be a reflection of community and we will do Orland Park proud to come back to Orland. We are quiet, we will not be there in the evenings, and what I wanted to express was that when people drop their toys off they are leaving with empty vehicles possibly to go shop.

STEPHENS: Thank you. (Asked for any comments from the public but received none.)

PAUL: I think this is nice for kids what you are doing here. I just have one question; you mentioned that parking in the area north of Value City and next to Value City. That street is designated No Parking on both sides. There is a sign on the back of Value City and on the fence.

TURLEY: If it is signed that way, then there is no parking. However, as you might have noticed there is a lot of pavement in the service area, so it maybe can be worked out if there is overflow.

PAUL: Yes, I did. Maybe we could consider taking down one of the signs on one side for that.

TURLEY: We would have to look at it and talk to the fire department.

DZIERWA: This is a good thing and I have nothing bad to say here. I am just curious; how would I donate?

MAXIA: You could call us, you can go to the website. We have a website and phone number and we do not post the address on the website. We ask people to call us first then we give them a time and date to come and drop off.

DZIERWA: Mrs. Turley, you said they would generate lots of garbage in the report, but you said not much garbage in your presentation, I was just curious which one was correct.

TURLEY: If it says lots in the report that is a typo.

DZIERWA: How do you screen what people bring in? Is a lot of it just junk, where there would be a lot of garbage from that or do you just say, "No, we don't want this" or what.

MAXIA: If you see things that are just a train wreck we just say no we can't take this, but you'd be surprised, 99% of what people who take the time to bring things in to us have them in zip lock bags and taped shut. They are very wonderful people so we are very blessed.

AUBIN: I have scanned the petition and I cannot find anything negative to say. Good luck.

PARISI: I think it is very nice what you are doing. Its good to see the space put to good use like that. Good Luck.

MURPHY: I have no questions. I'm sure I'll see you; I have four children and many toys to donate. I'll call to make an appointment.

STEPHENS: I think it's a very nice thing that you are doing, I have no problems with this at all. I am appreciative that you put up signage (for the hearing) on LaGrange Road, thank you.

STEPHENS: The chair asked for a motion.

DZIERWA: I move to accept as findings of fact of this Plan Commission the findings of fact set forth in this staff report, dated April 12, 2011.

And

I move to recommend to the Village Board approval of a Special Use Permit for light industry and assembly for Toy Box Connection located at 15756 Lagrange Road in Lakeview Plaza in a 7500 square foot space located to the rear of the building subject to the following conditions:

1. All Building Code and property maintenance related items are met.
2. Any new signage is approved through a separate permitting process.

The motion made by Commissioner Dzierwa was seconded by commissioner Aubin. It passed (6-0).

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

**2011 – 0186 Victory Martial Arts
Special Use Permit**

TURLEY: Staff presentation made in accordance with the written Staff Report dated April 12, 2011 as presented.

STEPHENS: Asked the petitioner to come up to be sworn in to answer questions.

AUBIN: Swore in Dion Riccardo, 2220 Gainsborough, Davis, IL

RICCARDO: I just want to thank the Commission for hearing this. We look forward to being a part of Orland Park.

STEPHENS: This being a public hearing if anyone would like to come forward to speak regarding this petition please step forward to be sworn in.

AUBIN: Swore in Ed Converse, 17345 Olcott, Tinley Park, IL

CONVERSE: I am the real estate broker that has worked with the petitioner to lease this space. We've had a great relationship with the Plan Commission, Mrs. Turley and the staff up there as we have met together to work out this very night. We appreciate your consideration of it. I have worked with the builder of this very building some 20 years ago; it's a very attractive area. Mr. Riccardo will carry forward that. Mr. Riccardo and his schools, academies have met in schools Orland Park and he is well respected there. He has a website page that has been acknowledged by some of the staff as what Orland Park would like to have. I am sure he would invite any of you to join the academy, as well as the Fire and Police Department for physical conditioning.

PARISI: No comments.

DZIERWA: I think this is a good mix because we will have it going on in the evening there and you don't have businesses with conflicting hours. I think this is a very good use.

AUBIN: I concur.

PAUL: No further questions, I think this is very good use of the space.

MURPHY: I agree, no questions. Good luck.

STEPHENS: The only thing I am going to ask you is, what are the normal business hours of operation there?

RICCARDO: The usual hours of operation are Monday to Thursday from 5:00PM to about 9:30PM, Saturdays we begin about 8:00AM and go to about 1:30PM.

STEPHENS: Is it mainly for kids?

RICCARDO: We have about a 50/50 mix right now, so our kids classes are earlier during the day and the adult classes start about 7:00PM.

STEPHENS: It doesn't appear that there will be any parking problems there due to the hours of use so I don't have any problem with this.

STEPHENS: The chair asked for a motion.

AUBIN: I move to accept as findings of fact of this Plan Commission the findings of fact set forth in this staff report, dated April 7, 2011.

and

I move to recommend to the Village Board approval of a Special Use Permit to operate Victory Martial Arts, an indoor recreation facility at 15414 70th Court subject to the following conditions:

1. All Building Code related items are met.
2. Any new signage is approved through a separate permitting process.

The motion made by Commissioner Aubin was seconded by Commissioner Parisi. It passed (6-0).

Other Business

STEPHENS: Is there any other business from the Commissioners or Staff?

TURLEY: Just a reminder about the Plan Commissioner workshops. There is one on Saturday, April 30th and another on Saturday, May 14th. These are usually pretty good, informative workshops and I believe a couple of commissioners have already signed up. There is still space. It is a really good bargain at \$25.00 and the Village is willing to pay for that. It was also mentioned to me that if you can't go both Saturdays we can split a registration, so if anyone is interested please just let me know.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Plan Commission, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

STEPHENS: This meeting is adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda White
Recording Secretary