Village of Lily Lake Plan Commission Minutes Monday October 3, 2016

1. Roll Call:

The Plan Commission was called to order at 7:06 PM by Chairperson, Steve Zahn Dan Turner, Tim Dell, Glenn Bork and Ziad Awad were present.

Guests:

Mae Strobel, Mike Carlson

2. Approve Agenda:

Motion to approve the October 3rd Plan Commission meeting agenda by Tim Dell second by Dan Turner – all in favor.

3. Approve the Meeting Minutes from the September 12th, 2016 Meeting

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from the August 1st Plan Commission meeting by Dan Turner and second by Tim Dell – all in favor.

4. Public Comment:

Mrs. Strobel commented on the need to continue efforts to update the Nuisance Ordinance with an amendment addressing the issue of noise. Mrs. Strobel also noted the need to formalize items of fence construction. Mr. Carlson reported on his recent meeting with Illinois Governor Bruce Rouner. Mr. Carlson noted that the distribution of Federal Grant awards to Illinois recipients are managed through the State of Illinois. Therefore, Federal Grant awards can be slowed by the State.

5. New Business

None

6. Old business

a. Fence Ordinance Review - Good Side Out

The Plan Commission continued with its review of fence construction in residential areas. The Commission will propose the following amendment to Ordinance No. 97-11 Appendix A – Obstructions Permitted in Yards All fence construction to include the finish face of fence materials to be at the adjoining properties and right-of-way. All fence construction to be consistent with industry standard.

The Commission will review the proposed amendment and vote on the amendment at the November Plan Commission meeting.

b. Business, Manufacturing, Industrial Landscaping/Screening Review

The Plan Commission reviewed examples of natural and manufactured screening for business districts. Given the large selection of choices for screening and applications that best address the type of screening required, the Commission has decided to continue the review at the November Plan Commission meeting. Tim Dell suggested that natural screening involving native trees be the objective of the amended ordinance. Glenn Bork noted the lack of management among property owners in the Village business districts has made screening requirements difficult to enforce. Mr. Bork further noted that a screening ordinance should include setbacks from property boundaries to permit the use of natural screening.

c. Residential Noise Ordinance Review

The Commission reopened its review of the proposed Noise Ordinance to amend the Nuisance Ordinance. It was determined that sound pressure measurements would not be a practical in the process of enforcing a noise ordinance. Therefore, noise would be enforced only by specific hours and days of the week. Also, "noise" is defined from information derived from other existing noise ordinances. The proposed amendment is as follows:

Noise or offensive sound that disturbs the general peace from and not limited to private parties, public events, commercial work activities, barking dogs, transportation equipment etc; is prohibited within the Village. Noise within residential areas is not permitted during restricted hours on weekends and weekdays. Weekends are defined as Friday and Saturday nights. On a legal holiday, three-day weekend, the weekend is defined as Friday night through Sunday night. Weekdays are defined as Sunday night through Thursday night.

The Commission will review the proposed amendment and vote on the amendment at the November Plan Commission meeting.

7. Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Tim Dell, second by Glenn Bork - all in favor.

Meeting adjourned 8:16 PM