

**CITY OF BRIGHTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
MINUTES
April 14, 2016**

1. Call to Order

Vice-Chairperson Senak called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the following members were present:

2. Roll Call

David Chaundy – Present
Russ Gottschalk – Present
Doug Angst – Absent
Dave Senak – Present
David McLane – Present
Alicia Urbain – Present
Renee Pettengill - Present

Scott Barb, Livingston County Planning Department

Audience – 2

Moved by Board Member Urbain, seconded by Board Member Gottschalk, to excuse Board Member Angst. **The motion carried unanimously.**

3. Approval of the March 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Board Member Urbain, seconded by Board Member McLane, to approve the meeting minutes of March 10, 2016 as presented. **The motion carried unanimously.**

4. Approval of the April 14, 2016 Meeting Agenda

Moved by Board Member Chaundy, seconded by Board Member Urbain, to approve the April 14, 2016 agenda as presented. **The motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business

New Business

5. The Grand Group, LLC, 8641 W. Grand River, Parcel ID (4718-30-100-056) is proposing the addition of channel letters “Grand Professional Center” to be located above the tenant signs currently on the building. The applicant is seeking a variance from Section 66-95, (4) (A), which only allows each occupant to the permitted one wall sign not exceeding 24 square feet in total surface area. A variance to allow an additional 32 square feet of channel lettering above the current wall signs on the west façade of the building at 8641 W. Grand River is being requested.

Dr. Brian Pertersburg would like to make the building more aesthetically appealing by having the building name above the tenant signs. The design of the new signage does not have the building name like the previous one.

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Mr. Jamie Elfstrom of Bill Carr Signs stated the channel letters are 14" tall by 12" wide and are LED lit.

Vice-Chairman Senak asked if there will be any additional signs added for more tenants. Dr. Pertersburg stated that is all of the signs they will have.

The call to the public was made at 7:38 pm with no response.

Vice Chairman Senak feels having the name of the building will make it easier for customers to find the building instead of having to look at each individual tenant sign. He feels this is needed. Board Member Urbain agrees.

Moved by Board Member McLane, seconded by Board Member Gottschalk, to approve the addition of 32 square feet of channel lettering signage above the current wall signs on the west façade of the building at 8641 W. Grand River as the sign is visually appealing and it will add safety for customers. **The motion carried unanimously with a roll-call vote.**

6. Staff Updates

Board Member McLane stated they have interviewed three firms to perform the ordinance update. They are going to be sending a recommendation of hiring Clear Zoning to City Council. They will then meet with the Planning Commission, ZBA, and Livingston County Planning Department to work on the updates.

7. Call to the Public

Vice-Chairman Senak opened the Call to the Public at 7:49 pm with no response.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Board Member Urbain, seconded by Board Member McLane, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Patty Thomas
Recording Secretary