

# Planning Commission

## Special Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 8, 2013  
7:00 p.m., Council Chambers



***Note: This is a rescheduled meeting from August 1, 2013 when we did not have a quorum in attendance. No business may occur except that which is listed on the agenda.***

City of South Haven

### 1. Call to Order by Paull at 7:00 p.m.

### 2. Roll Call

Present: Frost, Heinig, Smith, Wall, Webb, Paull

Absent: Miles

Motion by Smith, second by Heinig to excuse Miles.

Paull requested that new member Terri Webb introduce herself to the board.

### 3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Wall, second by Smith to approve the agenda as presented.

All in favor. Motion carried.

### 4. Interested Citizens in the Audience Will be Heard on Items Not on the Agenda

None at this time.

### 5. New Business

#### SITE PLAN REVIEW

**St. Basil's Church statue – St. Basil's church requests permission to place a statue on the lake side of their property between the church and the lake bluff edge. The property is located at 513 Monroe Boulevard.**

Anderson gave an overview of the request and the reasons why the request has to come before the commission. Anderson noted that the statue is an accessory use; the setbacks

as proposed are in compliance with ordinance rules. There is no problem with installing the proposed statue, however Anderson suggested that the City Engineer take a look at the site to be sure that the bluff in that particular area is suitable for such placement.

Paull requested that the applicant give the background on the request.

Chuck Maitland, 3 Bluffwood Drive. Applicant noted that he and his wife lost their oldest daughter and wanted to memorialize her. In communicating with the priest, it was decided to place a small statue with a 10x12" plaque with her name, birth and death dates. In walking the property a spot was chosen which the applicant envisions surrounded with a small knee fence, perhaps flowers and, at a later date, a bench.

Wall expressed her thanks and appreciation for a beautiful memorial to the applicant's daughter.

Motion by Wall, second by Smith to approve the request to place a statue on the lake side of the St. Basil's property at 513 Monroe Boulevard between the church and the lake bluff edge, with the condition that the city engineer approve the site as being appropriate for such an installation.

## **6. Commissioner Comments**

Anderson: Updated the commission on the overlay zone: attorney suggestions and approval have been received. The public hearing will be held in September.

Wall: apologized for missing the meeting last week.

## **7. Adjourn**

Motion by Heinig, second by Wall to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

All in favor. Motion carried.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Marsha Ransom  
Recording Secretary