

# STUDY SESSION MINUTES TRAVERSE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

TUESDAY November 18, 2014

7:30 P.M.

Commission Chambers  
Governmental Center, 2nd Floor  
400 Boardman Avenue  
Traverse City, Michigan 49684

**PRESENT:** Vice-Chairperson Jody Bergman, Commissioners Michael Dow, Jeanine Easterday (7:35 p.m.), Chairperson John Serratelli, Bill Twietmeyer, Jan Warren, and Tim Werner

**ABSENT:** Commissioners Janet Fleshman and Cecil McNally

**STAFF PRESENT:** Russ Soyring, Planning Director; Missy Luick, Planning and Engineering Assistant

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER-** Chairperson Serratelli called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS-** Mr. Soyring announced that there will be another Traverse City Public Pier meeting taking place tomorrow, November 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Training Room here at the Governmental Center.

4. **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT SUBMISSION (DISCUSSION)**

Mr. Soyring and Mrs. Luick addressed the Commission.

Commissioner Easterday joined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Commission discussed possible income sources like possibly selling city properties, Brown Bridge Trust Fund income and revenue from the Grand Traverse County Road Commission millage.

Commissioners discussed the following projects: Boardman Lake Avenue, Boardman Lake Trail, TART Trail maintenance, Clinch Park repairs, sidewalk infill priorities and implementing bank stabilization ordinance amendments (Natural Resources Element).

Additional discussion regarding the Brown Bridge Trust Fund included waiting for the City Commission to establish a policy for how Brown Bridge Trust Fund monies will be used and then perhaps a joint meeting of City Commission, Planning Commission and Parks and Recreation Commission to discuss prioritizing projects.

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Discussion included removal of maintenance projects from the CIP and including an "unfunded projects" fund for projects that are visionary and require outside funding.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT-** Chairperson Serratelli announced that the December 16, 2014 Study Session will be cancelled and the next regular meeting of the Planning Commission is December 2, 2014.
6. **ADJOURNMENT-** The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 2, 2014

  
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Jan Warren, Secretary