

**CITY OF PORT WASHINGTON
PLAN COMMISSION
MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2012**

1. **ROLL CALL:** Mayor Huebner called a duly convened meeting of the Plan Commission to order at 6:32 p.m. Members present were: Commissioners Becker, Mlada, Sova, Voigt, Kelley, and City Engineer Vanden Noven. Also present were: City Planner Randy Tetzlaff and City Administrator Mark Grams.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2011 MEETING. MOTION BY COMMISSIONER BECKER AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER KELLEY to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**
3. **PUBLIC APPEARANCE & COMMENTS:** There were done.
4. **NEW GUARDHOUSE AT THE PORT WASHINGTON GENERATING STATION LOCATED AT 146 SOUTH WISCONSIN STREET:** City Planner Tetzlaff reviewed this item with the Plan Commissioners. He stated that during the remodeling of the generating power station, the old guardhouse was removed. An interim (trailer) guardhouse had been used, however, now, it appears a more permanent unit is needed. In keeping with the design of the generating power station, a pre-built unit approximately 8' x 12', with a standing seam metal roof and decorative brick façade is being proposed. The Design Review Board reviewed the plans and agreed that the proposed guardhouse will be aesthetically pleasing because it will be at the entrance of the new coal dock park. Mr. Doug Eberlein of WE-Energies was present to answer any questions. **MOTION BY COMMISSIONER SOVA AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VOIGT to approve the plans for the new guardhouse at the Port Washington Generating Station as presented. Motion carried unanimously.**
5. **FRONT FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT FOR THE FORMER M&I BUILDING LOCATED AT 122-128 NORTH FRANKLIN STREET:** City Planner Randy Tetzlaff reviewed this item with the Plan Commissioners. He stated that a last minute Offer to Purchase for the former M&I bank property was made by a group known as Renew Port Holdings (RPH). The Offer required that the current owner Port Harbor Investments (PHI), get an extension from the City on the raze orders. RPH is to appear at the January 17th Common Council meeting and make known its final intentions to close on the sale of the property on or before January 30th. If RPH is not interested in the property, PHI will be required to complete the demolition no later than February 17th. If RPH's intention is to close, then the Council will require RPH to appear before the Plan Commission to discuss its plans to repair the façade. He stated that the Common Council has accepted an offer. City Planner Randy Tetzlaff reviewed the status of the M&I Building since it stopped being a bank. City Planner Tetzlaff reviewed all the history regarding the purchase of the building, the plans to renovate the building, and the order to raze the building. Mr. Jim Read appeared before the Plan Commissioners and explained what RPH is willing to do to the façade of the building. The Plan Commissioners questioned Mr. Read and RPH on their timeline, funding, and plans for the M&I Building. The Commission wanted the façade completed before May 31, 2012.
6. **FORTHCOMING EVENTS:** There was none.
7. **ADJOURNMENT: MOTION BY COMMISSIONER VANDEN NOVEN AND SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BECKER to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.**