

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE OWOSSO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS  
CITY OF OWOSSO  
MARCH 20, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Randy Horton at 9:32 a.m.

Roll call was taken by Recording Secretary, Marty Stinson.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Randy Horton, Elizabeth Frasier, John C. M. Davis, and Alternate Shea Usher.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mike Dvorak, Dan Jozwiak

**MINUTES:**

It was moved by Board Member Davis and supported by Board Member Frasier to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2006, as presented.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

NAYS: None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT #2007-02  
CURWOOD FESTIVAL  
TEMPORARY PARKING LOTS CLOSING REQUEST**

A public hearing was conducted for the conditional use permit for the Curwood Festival parking lot closures. Christine Usher, Office Manager, read the list of closures, and the dates and times requested.

1. Closure of the Exchange Street parking lot from 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 7, through Sunday, June 10, to allow concession owners to set up.
2. Closure of the entire Armory parking lot Friday, June 8 at 5 p.m. through Sunday, June 10.
3. Closure of the Public Safety Building parking lot for the carnival and the entertainment tent area, Wednesday, June 6, through Sunday, June 10.
4. Closure of the Mason Street parking lot behind the Shiawassee Council on Aging building from 7:00 a.m., Saturday, June 9, until mid-afternoon for the Farmer's Market.
5. Closure of parking lot on the corner of Curwood Castle Drive and Bradley on Wednesday evening June 6 for setup through Sunday June 10 for Renaissance Encampment.

Mr. Phil Hathaway, Director of Community Development stated this was a temporary land use.

**Public Comments:**

Mark Ellsworth, representing Anne Wiltze of Dollar Daze, 114 W. Main Street, questioned about the parking for their customers. Ms. Usher stated that parking lease tenants are notified ahead of time about the parking lot being closed during the Curwood Festival.

Mr. Hathaway stated that parking lessees have the right to park elsewhere with their hangers without being ticketed. Because this store now has a higher volume of customer traffic, parking lessees should be notified by letter that they are to avoid parking on N. Ball Street.

Mr. Ellsworth commented that he didn't want to stop the Festival, just wanted to express concerns about parking for their customers. N. Ball Street is his bigger concern.

It was noted no phone calls or letters were received by the City of Owosso

Vice Chairman Horton announced that the Public Comment Period of the Hearing was closed and returned the discussion to the Board members.

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It was moved by Board Member Davis, with support from Board Member Frasier, to permit the closure of all the requested parking lots for the Curwood Festival weekend as listed above; and to restrict parking lessees from parking on N. Ball Street to allow parking for Dollar Daze customers.

Shea Usher abstained from voting because his wife is the Executive Director of the Curwood Festival.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

NAYS: None

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT #2007-03  
ANNUAL CRUISE TO THE CASTLE CAR SHOW  
TEMPORARY PARKING LOTS CLOSING REQUEST**

Sue Kadlek, Shiawassee Regional Chamber of Commerce, stated the request for Conditional Permit for Temporary Use beginning at midnight on Saturday, May 19 for closure of the parking lot on N. Water Street between the Armory and the Matthews Buildings, and the parking lot on W. Exchange Street between Ball and Water Streets all day on Sunday, May 20, 2007 for the annual Cruise to the Castle Car Show.

**Public Comments:**

Mark Ellsworth, representing Anne Wiltze of Dollar Daze, 114 W. Main Street, questioned the parking for their customers as N. Ball Street is to be closed during this event.

Ms. Kadlek stated that they would place the barricades north of the Greenway alley to allow customers parking on N. Ball beside the Dollar Daze store a place to turn their vehicle around to exit N. Ball onto W. Main Street. Ms. Kadlek also stated that the churches north of this area would be notified so they could ask their parishioners to travel another route on Sunday morning.

Vice Chairman Horton announced that the Public Comment Period of the Hearing was closed and returned the discussion to the Board Members.

It was noted no phone calls or letters were received by the City of Owosso

It was moved by Board Member Davis, with support from Member Frasier, to approve the parking lots closing as requested above. It was also moved to redirect leased parking space users to the Ball / Mason Street parking lot and to the public parking lot next to the Public Safety Building on S. Water Street. The Street closing on N. Ball will begin north of Greenway Alley. The Greenway Alley would be signed at the Ball Street driveway for two way traffic.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

NAYS: None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

It was moved by Board Member Horton, supported by Board Member Frasier to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: All. Motion carried.

NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

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Dan Jozwiak, Secretary