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**City of Merrill
City Plan Commission
Monday, November 4, 2013 at 5:15 P.M.
City Hall Basement Conference Room, 1004 East First Street**

Voting members present: Mayor Bill Bialecki (Chairperson), Alderman Steve Hass, Melissa Schroeder, Dan Novitch and Pete Lokemoen.

Other attendees: City Administrator Dave Johnson, City Attorney Tom Hayden (arr. 5:25), Alderwoman Kandy Peterson, Alderman Dave Sukow, Sue Weith, Lynn Zentner, Frank Saal Jr. and City Clerk Bill Heideman.

Call to order

Mayor Bialecki called the meeting to order at 5:15 P.M.

Minutes of September 30th, 2013 meeting

The minutes were in the meeting packet.

Motion (Hass/Novitch) to approve, as presented, the minutes of the September 30th, 2013 City Plan Commission meeting. Carried.

Signage plan for four self-guided walking paths – Park City Paths

No information was in the meeting packet.

Representing Park City Paths, Sue Weith and Lynn Zentner gave a presentation on a signage placement plan assembled by Park City Paths. The plan is the result of discussion held at a workshop last May. At that workshop, the idea was proposed to erect signs within the City for four self-guided walking paths. The plan has already been discussed by the City Plan Commission. At this time, Street Commissioner Lupton has been the liaison between the City and Park City Paths for this project.

At this time, Park City Paths is looking for a recommendation from the City Plan Commission to be forwarded to the Common Council. Pete Lokemoen mentioned that, for any signs to be erected on private property, Park City Paths should obtain a written waiver of liability from the property owner. He also suggested that sign permits not be required for this project.

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Motion (Lokemoen/Hass) to approve, as submitted by Park City Paths, the signage placement plan for four self-guided walking paths (historical, retail fitness and parks). For all signs placed on private property, Park City Paths would be responsible for obtaining a written waiver of liability from the property owner. City sign permits would not be required. Carried.

Next meeting

Monday, December 2nd, 2013 at 5:15 P.M.

Public Comment

Frank Saal Jr. commented on the current lack of any plans or ordinances related to rental density. He stated that not having a plan and related ordinances results in a “messier Merrill”. He noted that density-based zoning has been in existence in numerous municipalities for several years, and urged that density-based zoning and related ordinances be considered and adopted by the City.

Adjournment

Motion (Hass/Schroeder) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 5:39 P.M.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:

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City Clerk