

City of Gahanna

*200 South Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230*



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 11, 2009

The Commission may meet in workshop prior to meeting.

7:00 PM

City Hall

Planning Commission

P. Frank O'Hare, Chair

David K. Andrews, Vice Chair

Jennifer Tisone Price

Kristin E. Rosan

Donald R. Shepherd

David B. Thom

Robert C. Westwood

Donna L. Jernigan, MMC, Sr. Deputy Clerk of Council

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A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL.

Gahanna Planning Commission met in regular Session in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 200 South Hamilton Road, Gahanna, Ohio on Wednesday, March 11, 2009. The agenda for this meeting was published on March 6, 2009. Chair P. Frank O'Hare called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance let by Commission Member Jennifer Price.

Members Present: P. Frank O'Hare, David K. Andrews, Jennifer T. Price, Kristin E. Rosan, David B. Thom, Donald R. Shepherd and Robert C. Westwood

B. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: February 25, 2009 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Vice Chair Andrews, seconded by Thom, to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2009 Regular Meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Chair O'Hare, Vice Chair Andrews, Price, Rosan, Shepherd, Thom and Westwood
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D. HEARING OF VISITORS - ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA.

E. APPLICATIONS:

Chair stated Public Hearing Rules that would govern all public hearings this evening.

Assistant City Attorney Ray King administered an oath to those persons wishing to present testimony this evening.

CU-0001-2009

To consider a Conditional Use application to allow a karate facility; current zoning M-1, Manufacturing; for property located at 800 Cross Pointe Road, Unit T; by Champion Karate LLC/Van F. Frasher, applicant. (Advertised in Rocky Fork Enterprise March 5, 2009)

Chairman O'Hare opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. and asked for proponents.

Van Frasher, 212 Brookhill Drive, said he and his family have lived in Gahanna since 1999; teaches martial arts to children and families; help to promote the community through this; have 46 students; been teaching martial arts for 10 years; have a family of 5 that all got their black belts together; would move from facility in New Albany; want to start a good community based business; work as a case manager for Franklin County Children's Services as day job; worked entire career with children and teenagers with mental health issues as well as the parents to get kids back into homes; have a masters degree in criminal justice; get to train with Chuck Norris each year; also won the Norris Cup two years in a row; really looking forward to moving business to Gahanna.

Chair asked for opponents. There were none. Chair asked if Frasher had anything else.

Frasher said he would like to work Kick Start program into Gahanna middle schools; is a

program started by Chuck Norris to help keep kids off drugs; have been to numerous seminars and clinics for teaching this program; like to have my hand in there more than just martial arts; in Texas huge benefit to the children.

Westwood asked if what we are looking at is the exact layout of the facility? Frasher said yes; have 46 students; biggest class is about 14; hope student base will grow and then may look at expanding in 5 years or so; lease is with option to expand; 1,400 sq. ft.; definitely planning on staying in Gahanna.

Todd Richardson, 2926 Cordello Street, Blacklick, said we hope to have more evening opportunities; largest class is 14; do not have all students there at one time.

Price asked about existing tenants; and will you have daytime classes for preschoolers in the future. Richardson said there is a personal trainer; also have an insurance company; we are not looking at any weekday day classes right now; we have classes Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings; plan on moving in June 1st if everything goes well.

Thom asked about ample parking, and Gard said yes it is adequate.

O'Hare asked about security and Frasher said the parking lot is well lit; families do not have to pull into dark area; also Next Level Fitness is near us.

Chair closed the public hearing at 7:17 p.m.

Thom said this has been a good presentation; looks like you are willing to do a lot for the community; business fits out there.

A motion was made by Shepherd, seconded by Rosan, to approve CU-0001-2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes	7	Chair O'Hare, Vice Chair Andrews, Price, Rosan, Shepherd, Thom and Westwood
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F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

G. NEW BUSINESS:

H. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Committee of the Whole: No report.

Olde Gahanna Visioning Committee: No report.

I. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

City Attorney - None.

City Engineer - None.

Department of Development - None.

Chair.

O'Hare wished everyone a happy St. Patrick's Day.

- J. CORRESPONDENCE AND ACTIONS.**
- K. POLL MEMBERS FOR COMMENT.**
- L. ADJOURNMENT: 7:20 p.m.; Motion by Thom.**
- M. MONITOR ITEMS:**

Donna L. Jernigan, MMC
Senior Deputy Clerk of Council

*APPROVED by the Planning Commission, this
day of 2009.*

P. Frank O'Hare
Chair