

Planning Commission Meeting September 2, 2009 7:00 pm

Attendees: Ray Kiewit , Susan Keachie, Fred Schlichting and Max Taubert

There were no members of the Public present.

Discussion followed the agenda laid out in the Meeting Notice.

1. Organizing and structuring the Commission

Ray will be the Chairman of the Committee. His duties will be to:

1. Facilitate the meetings
2. Schedule and organize the meetings
3. Keep meetings on task

The Co-chairman of the Commission will:

1. Assume the responsibilities of the Chairman when he can not be present

Fred made a motion to put Max in this position. Susan 2nd and the motion was carried.

Notetaker/Secretary duties:

Record the meeting discussions and results and get a copy to Ray in time for the Town Board Meeting the following week.

Ray made a motion to place Susan in this position, Fred 2nd and the motion carried.

It was decided that the Meeting Notice will lay out the meeting agenda.

There was discussion about notifying permit applicants and adjacent land owners about the date and time of the Commission meeting at which the application will be considered.. It was decided that we would have a preprinted postcard designed that will be ready to send out when the Permit Applications are received. Max will design something for the next meeting. Mike at Superior Letterpress can print them. Ray will talk to Karl at the Bayfield County Zoning office to see if we can get the names and addresses of property owners notified of the application so that we know who to notify of the meeting time.

The meeting day of Thursday was decided to work for everyone in attendance. It will be the first Thursday of the month, preceding the Town Board meeting which is the 2nd Tuesday of each month. There is a possibility that during the winter afternoon meetings may be considered.

It was decided that each Commission member should have a copy of the final draft of the Comprehensive Plan to keep in their possession during their term. These copies can be handed back to the Commission upon the end of the term.

Cynthia Moore Seasonal Cottage Permit Request

There was discussion of the above mentioned Permit request. The location was determined and the site drawing looked at. There was some question as to why the permit was necessary but because of the A-1 Zoning all permit requests must have Town approval.

Max made a motion to approve the Permit Request, Fred 2nd and the motion was passed.

Discussion of Board Recommended Changed to the Comprehensive Plan

The Commission responses to the Boards requests are attached to these minutes. Max and Susan will try to attend the Board Meeting next week to address the concerns pertaining to the Land Use Element. We all decided that the Board should be informed about the process of arriving at these recommendations.

Open House - October 24, 2009

The draft of the Public Hearing announcement was reviewed and approved as is. The announcement should go out by 9/24/09. Ray will let us know when it's ready and we can get a group together to stuff envelopes and get them mailed out.

The format for the meeting was laid out as follows:

Tim Kane will attend and give a brief explanation of the Comprehensive Plan Process.

Ray will give background on the Town of Bell process.

Comprehensive Plan Committee Members will be in attendance to answer questions about the process and the statements and issues that were ultimately included in the Plan. We will hope to have the following members in attendance to elaborate and/or answer questions from the public:

Issues and Opportunities - Susan and Ray

Housing - Susan

Transportation - Al Reedy

Utilities and Community Facilities - Joni Brooks

Agricultural, Natural and Cultural Resources - Ray

Economic - Jim O'Leary

Intergovernmental Cooperation - Al Reedy

Land Use - Max

Susan will email the Committee members to see if they are willing and able to attend the Open House.

Ray will email all Commission Members a link to the Plan Commission Handbook for their reference

Fred made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Max 2nd and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

The next meeting will be on Thursday Oct. 1st at 7 pm at the Community Center.