

Planning Commission Meeting Sept 9th, 2010 7:00 pm

Attendees: Ray Kiewit, Susan Keachie, and Joni Brooks

Members of the Public:
Ernie Korpela and Lynda Nedden-Durst

Minutes from the meeting of 8-5-2010 were read. Joni made a motion to approve and Ray 2nd. All were in favor of approval.

Updates:

Ray pointed out that he has posted copies of maps pertinent to Planning on the wall of the meeting room.

Marina Trade Proposal:

Ray has prepared an updated Fact Sheet on all information that has been presented to date in the discussion regarding Ernie Korpela's proposed trade of a town owned parcel along the break wall within the Siskiwit Bay Marina owned and operated by Dave and Mary Beth Tillmans for a parcel of beach/Lake frontage owned by the Tillmans.

No members of the Marina committee were in attendance due to other circumstances. We will try again for a representative at next month's meeting. The Commission received a letter from the Marina Committee in response to the letter sent by the Commission asking some questions in regards to the proposed trade. Some time was taken to review the letter. A copy of the original letter was not available at this meeting so it will be sent out to the Commissioners again for review. Responses from the Marina Committee will then be compared to the questions asked.

Ellen K. from the Bayfield Regional Conservancy could not attend but sent a letter endorsing the trade and explaining that the BRC can annex the beach parcel to the existing Corny Beach land bringing it into the Conservancy.

The Commission concluded discussion with several goals:

- we should have an appraisal to try to establish value of both parcels. In Susan's opinion it is not ethical to list a property for sale without an intention to sell it. This conflicts with duties and responsibilities accepted by a real estate licensee and the State of WI. Dept of Regulation and Licensing.

- determine who would be responsible for paying for the appraisals

- Certified Surveys of both parcels may be in order in the future and determining who would be the responsible party paying for those would also be an issue

The Commissioners agreed that their role is to make a recommendation to the Town Board that takes into consideration the Comprehensive Plan and the benefit to the majority of Town residents and property owners.

It was decided that the Commission will continue to gather information regarding the proposed trade but that there are other issues for review that the Commission should get back to work on.

Meetings in the future will start considering some of the Action Items identified in the Comprehensive Plan that should start being addressed by the Commission.

A Short Term Rental permit application by Janet Sterk was considered by the Commission. No adjacent property owners were present. Susan made a motion to approve the permit on the basis of previously determined criteria. Joni 2nd the motion. Ray will attach the Criteria to the permit approval.

Joni made a motion that the meeting be adjourned Susan 2nd the motion and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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