

# Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

**December 7, 2017**

**6:00 PM Community Center**

Commission Members: Present: Janice Olson, Jackie Eid, Larry Chernoff and Greg Weiss.

Absent: Pete Lamb

**Minutes:** Jackie made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, Larry 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

**Correspondence:** Xcel Energy sent a letter about the 34.5 kV Bayfield Second Circuit Transmission Project that is taking place in 2019. Letters were sent to adjacent property owners and an open public forum was held on August 30, 2017 for comments. A number of comments were received and they plan to submit an application to the Wisconsin Public Service Commission in 2018 seeking approval from Bayfield County. If approved Xcel Energy plans to begin in 2019. A brief discussion followed.

**Knaack class A permit.** Larry made a motion to approve contingent upon meeting Town of Bell driveway ordinance criteria, Greg seconded the motion, all were in favor. Janice stapled a copy of the Town of Bell driveway ordinance to the permit to go before the Board at the upcoming board meeting.

**2017 Annual Review:** A discussion was held about events, accomplishments and permit reviews in 2017 including the new Transient Merchant Ordinance among other things. It was agreed to continue the discussion at the next meeting.

**2018 Goals and objectives:** A discussion was held about goals for 2018. Among the things that were discussed:

Look into the feasibility of having Xcel Energy move the Xcel power station during the upcoming Transmission Project.

Traffic Safety for the Town of Bell that included a boardwalk or crosswalk, speed reduction opportunities, and striping of Superior Avenue.

Looking into the feasibility of resurrecting the Spring Creek Walking Trail system.

There was also a discussion about reviewing objectives of the comprehensive plan.

The discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Jackie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Janice 2<sup>nd</sup>, all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Larry Chernoff Acting Secretary.