

**Planning Commission Meeting
August 8th, 7 pm Community Center**

Commission Members:

Matt Lazorik, Susan Keachie, Larry Chernoff, and Joni Vaughan

No members of the Public were in attendance.

Joni made a motion to approve the Minutes of the July meeting. Larry 2nd and the Minutes were approved.

Updates: None

Correspondence:

1) Responses to the Housing Survey that came in the mail. Susan will tally and add to on-line responses and present the results and the September meeting.

2) Letter from Bayfield County Planning and Zoning with proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

Susan will call the Zoning office asking for the date and time of the Zoning Committee Meeting that will hear the proposed changes.

Job Development in the Town of Bell:

Discussion of possible ways of promoting job development in the Town of Bell:

Assets:

Fiber optic

Currently 3 cell service providers

Susan: promote amenities and encourage work from home employment

Larry: quite a few people already doing that

Can we promote our amenities to employers in other areas that offer work from home options?

Susan reported on some of the activities and possible business opportunities that the BCEDC is pursuing. Larry: transportation of goods and services would be an issue in our location.

Use CBA website to promote "Work Where you Play" and advantages of locating a business here

Develop options for employers including Tax Increment Financing Districts (TIF)

Identify businesses that could thrive here and would be suitable to the area: logging, fishing lures, hunting gear, data storage, etc.

Look to provide full time jobs that could support families and add to construction activity and tax base.

Matt charged everyone on the Commission to think about ways that might improve year round employment opportunities and bring them back to the meeting next month.

Class Action Rezone:

Application for the Class Action Rezone has been completed. Susan will call Planning and Zoning to get the date of the Zoning Committee hearing that will have it on the agenda.

Susan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Matt 2nd and the meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

As Chairman, Matt agreed to adjourn with an "Okey Dokey".

The next meeting will be on Thursday Sept. 5th in the Community Center basement at 7 pm.