



CHEBOYGAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

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CHEBOYGAN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M. ROOM 135 – COMMISSIONER’S ROOM - CHEBOYGAN COUNTY BUILDING

PRESENT: Bartlett, Freese, Kavanaugh, Borowicz, Croft, Lyon, Jazdzyk
ABSENT: Ostwald, Churchill
STAFF: Jen Merk, Mike Peltier, Jeff Lawson
GUESTS: Eric Boyd, Bob Lyon, Cal Gouine, John F. Brown, Charlie Veneros, Carl Muscott, Roberta Matelski, John Moore, Russell Crawford, Cheryl Crawford, Mike Peltier

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Croft at 7:00pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Croft led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The meeting agenda was presented. **Motion** by Mr. Kavanaugh, seconded by Mr. Borowicz, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. 7 Ayes (Bartlett, Freese, Kavanaugh, Borowicz, Croft, Lyon, Jazdzyk,) Nays, 2 Absent (Ostwald, Churchill)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 6, 2019 Planning Commission minutes were presented. **Motion** by Mr. Kavanaugh, seconded by Mr. Jazdzyk, to approve the meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried. 7 Ayes (Bartlett, Freese, Kavanaugh, Borowicz, Croft, Lyon, Jazdzyk), 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Ostwald, Churchill)

PUBLIC HEARING AND ACTION ON REQUESTS

No comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Final Draft - Proposed Amendment To Planning Commission Bylaws

Motion by Mr. Freese, seconded by Mr. Kavanaugh, to place Planning Commission Bylaws on May 1, 2019 Planning Commission agenda. Motion carried. 7 Ayes (Bartlett, Freese, Kavanaugh, Borowicz, Croft, Lyon, Jazdzyk), 0 Nays, 2 Absent (Ostwald, Churchill)

NEW BUSINESS

Enforcement Report

Mr. Lawson introduced the enforcement report background and current status and procedures being followed i.e.

1. A first letter issued with a 30 day response
2. A second letter issued with a 14 day response
3. A third action may depend upon the legal measures that might be required

Mr. Peltier presented the details on enforcement actions taken to date including the type of violation involved.

Mr. Freese expressed his appreciation for the progress made in the five months since Mr. Peltier's hiring. He stated that the 77 cases closed are probably as much as had been accomplished in the five years prior to Mr. Peltier's hiring and that only 55 cases remain open. Mr. Peltier stated that a large portion of the 55 open cases remain open only because the snow cover prevents access or observation of the actual sites and that these would be resolved when the weather breaks.

Mr. Freese presented his proposed revisions to Section 22 which would clearly state the rights to continue legal non-conforming uses and to rebuild non-conforming buildings and structures in the event they should be damaged or destroyed

for any reason and that their legal non-conformity could only be terminated by positive actions by the owner showing voluntary abandonment.

Mr. Freese asked whether the Planning Commission wished to continue to wait 6 - 8 weeks for Mr. Turisk's return to duty to consider the subjects of tiny homes and bathroom facilities in private storage buildings as had been agreed upon in the last Planning Commission meeting. Ms. Lyon stated that she felt discussion should proceed. Mr. Lawson stated how he felt the actions on these two should be handled. Mr. Freese stated he had some suggestions for tiny homes. Ms. Croft requested Mr. Freese put his ideas in writing for consideration at the next Planning Commission meeting.

Mr. Jazdyk stated that he had previously resigned as a member of the Planning Commission, but continues to attend meetings until a replacement is found. He expressed his thanks for the opportunity to serve and for all he had learned while a member of the Planning Commission.

Ms. Croft stated that she had been contacted by the Cheboygan Chamber of Commerce in regards to attendance at a training session on coordinating efforts for economic development programs. She stated that she was not able to attend the session and had asked Mr. Borowicz to represent the Planning Commission. Mr. Borowicz provided a summary of the objectives of the proposed program and stated he felt further participation would be beneficial and that he would continue to participate.

STAFF REPORT

Mr. Lawson stated that Karen Johnson has been appointed to the Planning Commission and would be attending as a member at the next Planning Commission meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION COMMENTS

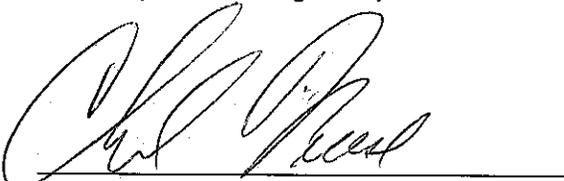
Ms. Lyon stated she had received information on Communicating Through Conflict training to be held on Monday, March 25, 2019 from 5pm - 8pm at the Cheboygan Public Library From Lindsey Gardner, MSU Extension and that she planned to attend.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Muscott thanked Mr. Jazdyk for his service on the Planning Commission. Mr. Muscott commented on the enforcement report, which he noted did not address the subject of the U.A.W. store which had been constructed without a special use permit having been approved. Mr. Peltier stated that he was not aware of the situation since there was not any record of the violation. Mr. Muscott stated that the matter had been brought out at a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting, which addressed a variance for a sign for the store.

ADJOURN

Motion by Mr. Kavanaugh to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.



Charles Freese
Planning Commission Secretary