

Keweenaw County Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2010

The Meeting held at the Courthouse was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Chairman Jon Soper.

Roll Call:

- Present: Jon Soper, Richard Schaefer, Steve Siira, Ned Huwatschek, Jim Huovinen, Joe Langdon, John Parsons, Joan Nelson
- Absent: Tom Hall

Everyone rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

M/S/A, Parsons, Huwatschek, to approve the agenda with the addition of an update on the zoning ordinance added to unfinished business.

M/S/A, Huovinen, Huwatschek, to approve the September 28, 2010 minutes with the addition of “there being no public in attendance” before “there being no comments”.

Unfinished Business

- John Parsons agreed to serve another term on the Planning Commission.
- Zoning Amendments – Discussion was held regarding Sect 6.13 C 1&2. This section will be removed and replaced with, ‘The administration and enforcement of a junk ordinance is the responsibility of the townships. According to Michigan State Law, the creation and enforcement of such an ordinance cannot be at the county level.’ Joan will send a letter to the townships stating the same. M/S/A Parsons, Huovinen,
- The Zoning Ordinance amendment was adopted by the Board of Commissioners at their regular meeting on Oct 20, 2010 and will appear in the minutes of that meeting. Chairman Soper will take the package to Copper Island printers for inclusion in the ordinance booklet.

New Business

- County Master Plan – Jon brought to the attention of the committee The Michigan Planning Enabling Act five year rotation and it is time to get back to updating the “Blue Print for Tomorrow”.

Correspondence – None

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Joan Nelson

- Robert Rinne request to rezone was reviewed. M/S/A Parsons, Huwatschek, to send him a letter stating that due to the need for maintaining an M-2 zoning district in Keweenaw County we are unable to grant your request to rezone the parcel (which already has the necessary infrastructure for manufacturing) from M-2 to Agriculture.
- Raymond Rinne request to rezone was reviewed. A Public Hearing will be scheduled for November 30th at the Courthouse.

- Joan stated that zoning is winding down, there were only two zoning request for the month.

Public Comments – None

Adjournment

- Pursuant to a motion by Schaefer, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Ann Gasperich, Acting Secretary

Minutes approved on 11/30/2010 by M/S/A Huovinen, Hall, all in favor, passed

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