

Keweenaw County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Minutes June 26, 2018

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Roll Call: John Parsons, Chairman, Richard Schaefer, Vice-Chair
 Steve Siira, Member Ned Huwatschek, Member
 Barry Koljonen, Member Dan Steck, Member
 Jim Vivian, Commissioner Excused
 Ann Gasperich Zoning Administrator

5 Member quorum is present, meeting was appropriately posted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Richard/Ned to add appointment of Jim LaMotte to old business and add Sign Height to New Business, motion passed.

M/S Richard/Dan to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 29, 2018, passed.

Guests: Jim LaMotte

Public Comment None

Communications None

Unfinished Business

The Private Road Section 7.29 was discussed. It was determined that the current requirements will stay, and new requirements will be drafted for logging roads. John will meet with Ann to rough out the new wording. Special care will be given to the wording of Lots vs dwelling Units.

M/S Richard/Steve to ask the Board of Commissioners to appoint Jim LaMotte to the Planning Commission effective with the August Meeting, passed.

New Business

Accessory structure setbacks -- after much discussion, the Commission asked Ann to come up with wording for the next meeting for continuing the talk.

7.9.3 Other Accessory Structure Yard Exceptions:

A. The yard requirements of this Ordinance may be waived for the following accessory structures:

1, 2, 3, & 4 no change Add 5 – Sauna –

5. Sauna -- One Sauna structure is allowed 35 feet landward of the ordinary high watermark on inland waterways. The side setback is 5 feet and the maximum height midpoint from eave to peak is 12 feet. The structure cannot be larger than 200 square feet and toilets are only allowed if connected to the main septic system.

Height of ground sign in RR district was brought up by Richard. He spoke to the ZBA determination to approve the sign for Trails End Campground. He believes procedurally the change should have come to the planning commission to change the requirement with in the zoning ordinance. He recommended we review the Permitted signs in the same section from the Eagle Harbor Zoning Ordinance. Ann will include their wording for the minutes:

16.5 A 5 e The height of the ground/pole sign may not exceed eight (8) feet in R-1, or in a mobile home park, and fifteen (15) feet in the other permitted districts/developments.

The Zoning Administrator's Report – Ann spoke to the wind energy presentation as well as the correspondence for the few RV owners that have returned their permit and asked for a special use permit. It was recommended that a final notice be sent prior to initiating enforcement of the ordinance. Ann will have RV's on the agenda for August.

Report from the ZBA – Steve reported the Next ZBA meeting is set for Thursday July 12th at 4:00 PM. Everyone is invited to attend.

Final Public Comments -None

Commission Final Comments - None

Next Meeting August 28, 2018 5:00 PM

M/S Ned/Barry to adjourn at 6:18 PM