

Keweenaw County Planning Commission  
Regular Meeting  
Minutes August 30, 2016

John Parsons called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Roll Call:	Jon Soper, Chair Absent	John Parsons Vice Chair
	Richard Schaefer, Member	Tom Hall, Member
	Steve Siira, Member	Ned Huwatschek, Member
	Ray Chase, Commissioner	
	Ann Gasperich Zoning Administrator	

5 Member quorum is present, the meeting was appropriately posted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**M/S Tom/Steve** to approve the agenda, passed.

**M/S Ray/Ned** to approve the minutes of the meeting on July 26, 2016, passed

Guests: Jack Treganowan, Mary Long, Mark Ahlborn, Kathy and Mark McEvers.

Public Comment – there was none

Correspondence – none received

Unfinished Business

The Mendota and Lac La Belle North Plat were reviewed for lot size. Ned was asked to talk with the Township Supervisor about putting RS V RR on the agenda for the next meeting of Grant Township.

New Business -- None

Ann gave her report and presented tentative definitions for long and short term rentals. This will be on the September agenda.

**Dwelling, Rental – Short Term** A dwelling unit for rental purposes with duration of less than 120 days.

**Dwelling, Rental – Long Term** A dwelling unit for rental purposes with duration of more than 119 days.

Final Public Comments –Mark Ahlborn gave an update on his desire to find a way to include some of the quasi-public roads in Keweenaw County into a more formal unimproved public access designation. Mandan and Smith Fisheries are two prominent examples. Smith Fisheries already has two important public features that should remain open to the public, Michigan Nature Associations Bare Bluff and the State of Michigan Lands around the Montreal River. He would like to create a trail head with parking approximately 1.5 miles before the fisheries for access to the State Land and eventually ADA access to the falls.

Jack Treganowan supported Marks idea.

Kathy McEvers suggested asking the trail clubs to weigh in as well

Commission Final Comments – Richard Schaefer suggested that Mark call Greg at the Road Commission and ask to be placed on the agenda for the September 13<sup>th</sup> meeting which is held at 2:00 PM for discussion regarding inclusion into the Future Land Use Plan. Ray Chase reminded all that the DNR is currently purchasing right of ways and with that comes multi-mode trails.

Set Next regular meeting September 27th, 2016 6:30 PM

**M/S Ray/Tom** to adjourn at 7:02