

MINUTES

The Iron County Comprehensive Planning/Land and Zoning Committee met at the Courthouse on Tuesday September 15, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Chairman Kichak. Proper publication of the meeting was established.

Committee members present: Jim Kichak, Brad Matson, George Nasi, Vic Ouimette, and John Smith. Also present Zoning Admn Tom Bergman and Joe Pinardi County Board Chairman.

Motion by Ouimette/Nasi to approve the minutes from 8/18/15; carried 5-0.

Conditional Use Hearing – Anthony Garza – Allow the operation of a tourist rooming house in an RR-1 (Residential Recreation) zoned District, part of GV Lot 3 and part of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼, Sec. 25, T44N, R1E, Town of Knight (site address is 7920N Lantta Road). Public comment opened by Chairman Kichak. No public comment. Public comment closed by Chairman Kichak. Town approval was received. Motion to approve by Matson/Smith; carried 5-0.

Rezone Hearing – Roger and Emily Arnould – Rezone from an F-1 (Forestry) District to an R-3 (Rural Residential) District, part of the SE ¼ of the SW ¼, Sec. 33, T42N, R2E, Town of Mercer, to bring the property into zoning compliance. Site address is Flambeau Dam Road. Public comment opened by Chairman Kichak. No public comment. Public comment closed by chairman Kichak. Town approval was received. Motion to approve by Matson/Nasi; carried 5-0.

Review a 3-Lot Certified Survey Map – Review a three lot certified survey map by Coleman Engineering Company covering lands in part of the S ½ of the NW ¼, Sec. 9, T45N, R2E, Town of Pence. Site address is Spring Camp Road. George and Nancy Stubenrauch, applicants. Bergman explained it meets requirements. Motion to approve by Nasi/Matson; carried 5-0.

Review an Amendment to Birch Point Condominium – Review an amendment to Birch Point Lodge Condominium Plat by Maki Land Surveying, LLC covering lands in part of the SE ¼ of the SE ¼, Sec. 12, T42N, R2E, Town of Mercer. Site address is Pine Road. Birch Point Lodge Condominium Association, applicants. Bergman explained it meets the requirements. The applicant asked if the committee would review the claim that the original plat was not recorded by the mistake of the county and the review fee should be reimbursed. Bergman stated that this is a new plat with a new building and the possibility is to calculate the difference. The committee decided it should be put on the next agenda to discuss the refund of the review fee. Motion to approve the plat amendment by Ouimette/Matson; carried 5-0.

Review Proposed Budget – Bergman explained the proposed budget is much the same as last years with only the changes being for the grade increase for Assistant Zoning

Administrator Erika Roeder and for Software Services that increased in price. Motion by Ouimette/Smith to recommend the budget to the Finance Committee; carried 5-0.

Discussion of Flashing Signs Definition – Bergman explained that the Zoning Committee needs to decide on an interpretation of what constitutes a flashing sign. Bergman stated that there is interest in a sign with a reader board at the Mercer School District. The Mercer District Administrator explained the type of sign the District would like to put in place of their current sign. Kichak stated that the town of Mercer was also currently discussing the proposed sign and asked that this topic be put on the agenda for the October 20th meeting.

Administrators Report – Bergman stated that we are still waiting on the WDNR for guidance regarding Act 55. Matson questioned if we are getting any push to get things done before the clarification. Bergman responded that we have not gotten much push for permits before the clarification.

Public Comment – Kichak brought up concerns regarding the size of a building being constructed on County Highway J, an addition on County Highway FF that may not be permitted, and the miscommunication about the rebuild of the VFW in Mercer. Pinarci urged Bergman and the Zoning Committee to keep in mind the Music Fest in the Town of Knight.

Approval of Bills – Motion to approve by Matson/Ouimette; carried 5-0.

Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at 3:00pm

Motion to Adjourn by Nasi/Matson; carried 5-0.

*Recording of full meeting minutes available upon request.