

The Iron County Comprehensive Planning/Land & Zoning Committee met in the County Board Room of the Iron County Courthouse in Hurley, WI on Tuesday, May 20, 2025. Committee members present were Chairman Patrick Hanson, Karen Lauer, Kurt Wolff and Rick Boes. Also present was Zoning Administrator Erika Roeder, applicants Steve Altman and Ron Rhenlund, engineer Greg Putnam, and Kimball Town chairman Randall Stoltenberg .

Hanson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Roeder acknowledged the meeting was properly posted.

Motion to approve 4/15/2025 minutes by Lauer/Wolff; carried 3-0.

Ronald Rhenlund Rezone Hearing: Rezone from an A-1 (Forestry) District to an RR-1 (Recreation-Residential) District, part of SE ¼ of the NE ¼, Lot 2 of CSM #644, Section 9, Township 46 North, Range 2 East, Town of Kimball, in accordance with the Asset Based Community Development plan. (Site address is Kivi Tia Road). Hanson opened public comment. None received, public comment closed. Discussion with Mr. Stoltenberg and Mr. Rhenlund offering input; then motion to approve pending Town input by Lauer/Wolff; carried 3-0.

Steve Altman Conditional Use Hearing: Allow the construction of a 3,840 square foot accessory building in an RR-1 (Recreation-Residential) zoned District, located in part of GV Lot 5, Section 2, Township 42 North, Range 3 East, Town of Mercer (site address is 4711N Little Pike Road). Hanson opened public comment. None received, public comment closed. Discussion, then motion to approve by Wolff/Lauer; carried 3-0.

Brett Bednar Conditional Use Hearing: Allow the construction of a 2,400 square foot accessory building in an RR-1 (Recreation-Residential) zoned District, located in part of Lot 2 of CSM #476, Section 9, Township 42 North, Range 3 East, Town of Mercer (site address is Popko Circle E). Hanson opened public comment. None received, public comment closed. No Town input received. Discussion, then motion to postpone by Wolff/Lauer; carried 3-0.

Joseph & Penny Francois Conditional Use Hearing: Allow a non-metallic mine site in an F-1 (Forestry) zoned District, located in part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, the NW ¼ of the SW ¼, and the SW ¼ of the SW ¼, all located within Section 19, Township 46 North, Range 2 East, Town of Kimball (site address is Valley Road). Hanson opened public comment. Engineer Putnam was available to answer questions. None received, public comment closed. Discussion, then motion to approve by Lauer/Boes; carried 3-0.

Joseph & Penny Francois Public Information Hearing: Review the reclamation plan for an existing non-metallic mine site in an F-1 (Forestry) zoned District, located in part of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, the NW ¼ of the SW ¼, and the SW ¼ of the SW ¼, all located within Section 19, Township 46 North, Range 2 East, Town of Kimball (site address is South Drive). Roeder stated that the reclamation plan meets requirements. Engineer Putnam was available to answer questions. Discussion, then motion to approve pending receipt of NR135 compliant financial assurance by Wolff/Boes; carried 3-0.

Closed Session per WI State Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. Review personnel matters. Roll call vote- Wolff, aye; Lauer, aye; and Boes, aye.

Return to open session: Motion by Wolff/Lauer to return to open session with no report; carried 3-0.

Administrator's Report: Roeder reported that the busy season has commenced and discussed how in the past, out of date plat books had been sold at a discounted price.

Public Comment: Murph reported that a pickup truck from Forestry will be handed down to Zoning in lieu of the current Jeep Cherokee.

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve the bills by Lauer/Boes; carried 3-0.

Set next meeting date: June 17, 2025, at 3:00 pm.

Adjourn: Hanson adjourned the meeting.

*****A recording of the meeting is available upon request*****