

MINUTES

The Iron County Comprehensive Planning/Land & Zoning Committee met at the Courthouse on Tuesday, April 21, 2009. The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Kichak. Proper publication of the meeting was established.

Present: Committee Members Kichak, Lambert, Innes, Wiita & Smith. Also present: County Board Chairman DeRosso & Zoning Admn. Tom Bergman.

Motion by Innes/Wiita to approve the minutes from the 3/17/09 meeting; carried 5-0.

Public Hearing – Ordinance Amendments – A public hearing was held on proposed amendments to the County Zoning Ordinance: Changes to Shoreland Regulations Article D Sec. 9-1-70(b) Removal of Shoreline Cover; Changes to Shoreland Regulations Article D Sec. 9-1-70(d) Land Alteration; & Changes to Definitions Article L Sec. 9-1-220(d). The Committee reviewed the proposed ordinance amendments, and agreed to add the following wording under Article D Sec. 9-1-70(b) Removal of Shoreline Cover: “However, the act of purposely damaging (i.e. girdling or ring barking) healthy trees is strictly prohibited”. Motion by Lambert/Innes to forward a resolution recommending the proposed amendments to the zoning ordinance to the full county board; carried 5-0.

Conditional Use Hearing – Peninsula Pines Resort & Campground – Allow the construction of a 30’ x 60’ garage on lands located in part of the NW-NE, Sec. 29, T41N, R3E, Town of Sherman (Site address is 855N Little Muskie Road). Town Board approval was received. Motion by Lambert/Smith to approve; carried 5-0.

Conditional Use Hearing – Albin Fredrickson – Allow the construction of a 16’ x 32’ addition to an existing 24’ x 32’ accessory building on Lot 10, Leavitts Subdivision, located in part of Sec. 20, T44N, R3E, Town of Oma (Site address is 4113W County G). Town Board approval was received. Motion by Smith/Innes to approve; carried 5-0.

Conditional Use Hearing – Craig Trenkamp – Allow the operation of a tourist rooming house on Lot 1, CSM #185, located in part of the NE-NE, Sec. 32, T42N, R2E, Town of Mercer (Site address is 6544W Flambeau Dam Road). Town Board approval was received with the stipulation that a fence be erected on both sides of the property line to clearly indicate the boundaries of this property. Motion by Lambert/Wiita to approve with the foregoing stipulation; carried 5-0.

Conditional Use Hearing – Charles Zradicka – Allow the operation of a tourist rooming house on lands located in part of the SW-SW, Sec. 7, T42N, R3E, Town of Mercer (Site address is 4150N Pine Road). The Mercer Town Board has not acted on this item yet. Motion by Lambert/Innes to table this item until the Town of Mercer makes a determination; carried 5-0.

Tax Deeds – James Maffesanti, Chairman for the Town of Pence, and Harold Schmude, appeared before the Committee to inquire about the status of property located at 6681W Whiteside Street, Pence. County Board Chairman DeRosso stated that the County would be acquiring this property due to non-payment of taxes.

Request for Fee Waiver – Mary Jo Gingras from the Land Conservation Dept requested that the Zoning Dept waive the \$150.00 fee for a fill, grade, excavate permit for the Larry Testin project located in part of the SW-SW, Sec. 30, T43N, R4E, Town of Mercer (site address is 5269N Goettsche Road). Following a lengthy discussion, the Committee agreed that this particular project will increase the value of the Testin property, and there was no hardship presented. Motion by Wiita/Smith not to waive the \$150.00 permit fee for this particular project; carried 5-0.

Land Conservation – Mary Jo Gingras from the Land Conservation Dept. gave a very informative presentation on shoreland zoning, noting the importance of protecting our lakes.

Lakes Protection Grant – Motion by Lambert/Innes to make a recommendation to the full County Board for authorization to apply for the lakes protection grant; carried 5-0.

Coastal Management Program – Motion by Lambert/Wiita to make a recommendation to the full County Board opposing the proposed transfer of the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program from the Dept of Administration to the Dept of Natural Resources; carried 5-0.

Plat Books – The Committee agreed to request bids for an updated plat book, and to reduce the price of the remaining supply of the 2006 plat book from \$30.00 to \$15.00 each. The Committee also agreed to give away the remaining supply of 1996 plat books, because they are so out of date.

Bills – Motion by Wiita/Innes to pay the bills; carried 5-0.

Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion by Smith/Lambert to adjourn; carried 5-0.