

Watersmeet Township Planning Commission
Final and Approved
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Jan 9, 2019

Location: Watersmeet Community Center

Meeting called to order by Chairman Pete Peterson at 6:30 PM

Roll Call:

Members Present: Jeff Wasson, Pete Peterson, John Cestkowski, Peggy Tuttle, Roy D'Antonio, Craig Hesse, Yvonne Clark, Paul Kemppainen

Members Absent: Jeff Zelinski

Election of Officers for 2019: John nominated Pete Peterson for Chairman and second by Jeff W. Elected by unanimous voice vote. Paul nominated Roy D' Antonio for Vice-Chairman and second by Jeff W. Elected by unanimous voice vote. John nominated Paul for Secretary and second by Roy. Elected by unanimous voice vote.

Approval of Minutes of October 10, 2018 Motion by Peggy and 2nd by Craig. Motion carried with abstention by Yvonne Clark and John Cestkowski as they were not in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Roy and 2nd by Yvonne, Motion carried.

Public Comment: Julie Mathiesen is contacting Tim Dean about having a joint informational meeting concerning the roles and responsibilities of the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. Steve Roth suggested that all attend the Planning Commission meetings to work to help to get items done in a timely fashion, in particular the short-term rental ordinance being drafted. Dan Kline had a question as to how long quarterly meetings would be held as had been proposed at the last meeting. He was told that special meetings could be conducted at any time. Dan also asked if there was a zoning map highlighting where commercial property is zoned. Clarification is needed as Richie Oil is considering the property just south of the intersection of US2 and 45. Question was raised as to whether Richie Oil could simply get a Special Use Permit or a propane plant needs to be added to the list requiring special approval. Julie suggested that we contact Tim Dean as to whether a use variance could be done.

Zoning Administrator's Report:

October	10/2/18	Garage	4269 Cisco Lake Rd	Jim Revoyr
	10/12/18	Dwelling	4092 Kari-Brooke Lane	Chris Meyer
	10/17/18	SFD-Addition	29510 Old US2 East	Ken Neff
	10/17/18	Dwelling	3720 Boy Scout Is. Rd.	Brad Bruce
November	11/26/18	Dwelling	19300 Clearwater Lk Rd	Kevin Magee
December	12/3/18	Dwelling	4794 Crozer St	Tony Basanese
	12/4/18	Dock-Garage	3740 Cisco Lk Rd	John Curran

Old Business: Short-term rental committee will be meeting either in late January or February to work on it with the goal of having it ready for Public Comment in May. Any such meeting would be posted on the web and locally. Paul also noted that changes regarding more than one family dwelling had been approved by the Township Board but had not been added to the Zoning Ordinance on the web.

New Business:

Dates for 2019 meetings: After discussion it was decided to go with bi-monthly meetings with a starting time change to 5:00 PM rather than on a quarterly basis. The regular meeting dates are March 6, May 8, July 10, September 11, November 13 and Jan 8, 2020. Motion by Paul and 2nd John to make these changes. Motion carried. Paul also noted that the dates would be posted on the website and locally.

Adjournment: Motion by Yvonne and second John to adjourn. Motion carried. Adjourned 7:30 PM

Next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at 5:00 PM

Submitted by: Paul D. Kemppainen – Planning Commission Secretary