

**Town of La Pointe Planning and Zoning
Town Plan Commission Special Monthly Meeting Minutes
July 2, 2014**

Town Plan Commission (TPC) Members Present: Ted Pallas, Chair, Charles Brummer, Vice-Chair, Joan Martin, Mike Starck, Greg Thury, Suellen Soucek, Margie Denton (arrived at 4:35 p.m.) (7).

Town Plan Commission members absent: None.

Public Present: Paul Brummer (1).

Town Staff Members Present: Lisa Potswald, Planning and Zoning Administrator (1).

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Pallas called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Roll call reflected members present or absent as recorded above.

II. Public Comment

None.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

G. Thury moves to approve the Town Plan Commission Regular Monthly Meeting minutes of June 18, 2014 as amended. S. Soucek seconds. 6 in favor; C. Brummer abstains. Motion carries.

IV. Zoning Administrator's Report

Report for the month of June 2014 is not yet ready; it will be completed and distributed by Tuesday, July 8.

V. Consideration and/or Action of Permit Applications

- a.** Ashland County Section 5, Township 50 N, Range 2W, LP #014-00033-0100 and #014-00034-0200. Combining two parcels into one.

The owners recently bought these 2 parcels, one of which is nonconforming. They want to install a privy on the property. They have completed the necessary paperwork and have paid the fees to do so. However, the privy will sit in the setbacks of the existing parcel. They contacted Bill Metzinger, Ashland County Land Descriptions, and he did not see a problem with joining the two parcels into one.

Town Plan Commission members instructed the ZA to point out to the property owners that they have a few options for consideration. One is to join the two properties into one 40-acre parcel. That will alleviate the setback issues, and should cost little or no money.

The second option to consider is moving the dividing line to create two 20 acre parcels. It looks like this would also resolve the privy setback issue, and would then give the property owners the option

of selling the other 20 should they ever want to. The W-1 zoning district requires a minimum of 20 acres per parcel. The ZA will pass this information on to the property owners.

VI. New Business

a. Complaint regarding former Island Corn food wagon

The ZA informed the TPC that Ashland County inspected the food wagon on Monday, June 30 and licensed it. The TPC members agreed that the complaint was not within the TPC's jurisdiction or scope of responsibility.

b. Draft Public Nuisance Ordinance

The Town Board directed Town staff to develop a Public Nuisance Ordinance, based on a recommendation from the Town's Attorney. The ZA explained that, while the Public Nuisance Ordinance would not be within the TPC's scope of responsibility, it would be helpful for them to review and comment on the draft document. The document is designed to address situations and conditions not addressed in other sections of the Town's ordinance.

TPC members had no recommended changes. They did have concerns about one party using language to harass another party through complaints. The ZA explained that Town staff are responsible to screen complaints, gather information relative to the complaint, and that the TB would be responsible for making decisions about staff recommendations regarding any complaint.

VII. Old Business

a. Comprehensive Plan

- Review of full draft document - Recommended corrections/changes:
 - Page 2-2, asterisked paragraph under Values, first sentence: comma after commercial
 - Page 5-2, Exhibit 5-1: remove Mixed uses and Non-metallic mine from the chart
 - Page 5-3, first sentence under Future Transportation Plan: cross out "is" and replace with "will always be"
 - Page 5-4, second paragraph, second sentence changed to: ~~Likewise, health care is not available on the island to the extent desired.~~ Because some residents must go to the mainland for additional health care services,...
- Set public hearing date – The TPC recommends the TB set a public hearing for some time between August 11 and August 26. This allows summer residents to attend the public hearing.

b. Elaine Nelson Certified Survey Map

M. Starck moves to recommend to the Town Board for their approval the Ashland County Certified Survey Map for Sections 28 and 29, Township 50 North, Range 3 West, PL #014-00194-0100, #014-00194-0300, #014-00194-0400, #014-00194-0500, #014-00194-0600, #014-00180-0100, #014-00180-0200. G. Thury seconds. All in favor; motion carries.

VIII. Future Agenda Items

Nothing as of this date.

IX. Schedule Future Meetings

Next Regular Meeting to be held **Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.** The ZA will communicate with the Chair on Friday, July 11 to determine agenda items. The ZA will notify TPC members on that date if the meeting is canceled.

X. Adjournment

G. Thury moves to adjourn. S. Soucek seconds. All in favor; motion carries. Meeting ends at 5:15 pm.

Town Plan Commission minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Potswald, Planning and Zoning Administrator, on Thursday, July 3, 2014.