

City of Munising
Planning Commission

Meeting Minutes, October 23, 2019

I. **Call to order**

John Hermann called the Planning Commission meeting to order at 4:00 pm on October 23, 2019, at the Munising City Hall.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

II. **Roll call**

Present: Bob Kueber, Wendy Irish, Bill Riordan, John Hermann, Bob Wilkinson, Mike Nettleton, & Glenn Marshall

Absent: Jerry LaFlamme & Mike Henricksen

Others Present: Lisa Grahovac, Devin Olson, Ryan Soucy, Michael Beauchaine, Steve Nebel, James LaMont, Sharon Kelto, Diane Rantz, Virginia Marshall, Ed Hines, David Kronk, Joann Carlson

III. **Acceptance of the Agenda: Bill Riordan made a motion to accept the agenda, Bob Wilkinson seconded, all in favor, motion passed.**

IV. **Public Comments Concerning Non-Agenda Items: None**

V. **Approval of Minutes dated September 25, 2019:** Wendy Irish stated that under Old Business A. Recreational Marihuanna Discussion, Wendy Irish asked to add that she asked Christopher if he was referring to Micro-Businesses, Christopher stated yes he was. Bob Wilkinson made a motion to accept the agenda with the change, Wendy Irish seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

VI. **New Business:**

A. **Public Hearing:** For David Charlton, at 130 W Munising Ave. to convert 4 of the 8 Apartments into Short Term Rentals. This is Zoned D (Downtown)

B. **Open Public Hearing:** Glenn Marshall made a motion to open the public hearing, Bill Riordan seconded it, all in favor motion passed.

C. **Close Public Hearing:** Bill Riordan made a motion to close the public Hearing, Bob Wilkinson seconded it, all in favor motion passed.

Bob Wilkinson made a motion to accept the request for the Conditional Use, Glenn Marshall Seconded, Roll call was conducted, Bob Kueber no, Wendy Irish, Rill Riordan, John Hermann, Bob Wilkinson, Mike Nettleton, & Glenn Marshall all Yes. Motion passed.

D. Open Public Hearing: For Lake shore 2 Along Washington St. and the West Side of Bullivant Changing to Lake shore 1

Lakeshore 2 along Lake Side of Westshore Dr. changing to Lakeshore 1

Commercial district between E. Jewell St. and E. Varnum St. changing to Residential 1

Transitional along North Side of W. Superior St. between Hickory and the Sault Tribe Community Center changing to Residential 1.

Michael Beauchaine of Bullivant St. gave public comment

Steve Nebel of Washington St. gave public comment

James Lamont of Washington St. gave public comment

Sharon Kelto of Washington St. gave public comment

Diane Rantz of Sand Point Rd. gave public comment

Virginia Marshall of Washington St. gave public comment

Carol Lamont of Washington St. gave public comment

Ed Hines of West Shore Dr. gave public comment

David Kronk of West Shore Dr. gave public comment

Joanne Carlson of Sand Point Rd. gave public comment

David Ralph of West Shore Dr. gave public comment

E. Close Public Hearing: Wendy Irish made a motion to close the public hearing, Bob Wilkinson seconded, all in favor motion passed.

Lakeshore 2 along Washington St. and the West Side of Bullivant Changing to Lakeshore 1. Bob Wilkinson made a motion to accept the change Bob Kueber seconded, roll call was conducted, all voted yes.

Lakeshore 2 along Lake Side of Westshore Dr. changing to Lakeshore 1, Bob Kueber made a motion to accept the change, Mike Nettleton seconded. Roll Call was Conducted Bill Riordan, Bob Wilkinson, Mike Nettleton, & Glenn Marshall voted no, Bob Kueber, Wendy Irish, & John Hermann Voted yes. Motion Failed.

Commercial District between E Jewell St. and E. Varnum St. changing to Residential 1. Wendy Irish made a motion to accept the change, Roll Call was conducted, all voted yes

Transitional along North Side of W. Superior St. between Hickory and Sault Tribe Community Center changing to Residential 1. Bob Wilkinson made a motion to accept the change, Mike Nettleton Accepted, roll call was conducted all voted yes.

A letter from Don Hice was turned in to City Hall in favor of the change on Westshore Dr.

A letter from Andris Ronis was turned in to City Hall in favor of the change on Westshore Dr.

A Letter from Marcia Young was turned in to City Hall regarding Airbnb's within the City of Munising.

A Letter was turned in to City Hall with 8 signatures in favor of the change on Washington St.

At 4:53 John Hermann stated the Planning Commission would take a quick break

John Hermann called Planning Commission was back in session at 4:55

Devin Olson stated that the first reading of the new ordinance of the new map, at the City Commission on November 6, the second reading will be November 18, published the following Wednesday then adopted 10 days later.

VII. Old Business:

A. Master Plan Update & Implementation Exercise: Ryan Soucy discussed with the Planning Commission household characteristics, Goals for Economic Development, Goals for Housing & Neighborhoods, Goals for Infrastructure and Community Facilities, Goals for Land Use, Goals for Quality of Life, Goals for Natural Resources & Environment, Goals for People and Community and Implementation Strategies.

Devin Olson stated that one of the strengths of Munising is that we have the HTC Fiber network that runs through Munising, 150 Meg fiber internet.

B. Recreational Marihuana Discussion: Devin stated he met with Robb Ferguson, to discuss the 2 ordinances of putting ours together, Devin stated that Robb has not provide a draft copy at this time.

Rob Steinhoff gave public comment, regarding recreational marihuana.

VIII. Reoccurring Business

A. City Manager Report: Devin Olson stated that H-58 is now open, and is complete, 2 days ahead of time, and right on budget. Devin stated we will be working on a local street initiative, where there will be a MDOT review, there will be engineers from MDOT where they will at the local safety initiative. They will look at some of the problem areas in town and provide low cost recommendation to improve the safety in which those certain areas are occurring. Devin stated this will most likely occur early next year, this is a free service to us from MDOT. Devin asked the Planning Commission if there will be quorum in November the day before Thanksgiving, and the planning commission stated there will be.

B. Zoning Administrator Report: Devin Olson stated there will be a public hearing at the Zoning Board of Appeals for a zero setback for the Munising Public School for a lot split. Lisa Grahovac stated that at that same hearing for a setback variance for Chad Cromell. Lisa stated that this hearing will be on October 30th.

IX. Round Table: Glenn Marshall asked about filling in the drain pipes, in the ditch going across, if they would be filling that in. Devin stated that yes we are waiting for pricing from BACCO and Payne & Dolan.

X. Brief Public Comments: None

XI. Adjournment: Bill Riordan made a motion to adjourn at 5:58pm, Wendy Irish seconded, all in favor, motion passed.

Minutes submitted by: Lisa Grahovac