

City of Munising
Planning Commission Minutes

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
301 E. Superior St., Munising, MI 49862
6:00 PM

A. Call to Order Regular Planning Commission Meeting, Roll Call

Roll call was conducted, members present: Mike Nettleton, Bill Riordan, Wendy Irish, Patty Britton, DJ Raica & Robin Pavase

Others present: Lisa DeLeeuw, Devin Olson, John Hermann, John Madigan, Barry Polzin, Barry Hoover, Michael Robare, and Jenna Robare.

B. Recite the Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance was recited

C. Appointment of Chair

Mike Nettleton made a motion to appoint Bill Riordan as Chair, Wendy Irish supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed

D. Appointment of Vice-Chair

Mike Nettleton made a motion to appoint Wendy Irish as Vice Chair, Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed

E. Appointment of Secretary

Wendy Irish made a motion to appoint Patty Britton as Secretary, Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed

F. Approve regular meeting schedule

Mike Nettleton made a motion to continue having the meetings on the Fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm

Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

G. Rules and Procedures – review and approve

H. Brief Public Comments (3 Minute Limit)

I. Acceptance of the Agenda

Mike Nettleton made a motion to accept the agenda as is, Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

J. New Business:

1. Approval of Minutes dated October 25, 2023

Mike Nettleton made a motion to accept the agenda with the change of adding the word “old” before Munising Fire Hall under new business, Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

2. Open Public Hearing for John Madigan & Zach Boucher at 130 W Munising Ave.

John and Zach are applying for a CUP to use 4 of the apartments as Short-Term Rentals.

Mike Nettleton made a motion to open the public hearing for John Madigan and Zach Boucher, Bill Riordan supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

a. Close Public Hearing for John Madigan & Zach Boucher

Mike Nettleton made a motion to close the public hearing for John Madigan and Zach Boucher, Wendy Irish supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

b. Planning Commission Decision on the CUP for John Madigan & Zach Boucher

Mike Nettleton made a motion to approve the CUP with the conditions of no trailers, no 4 wheelers, snowmobiles or boats, Bill Riordan supported the motion, roll call was conducted, Nea’s Robin Pavase the decrease in the number of long term housing in the last 10 years indicates that long term rentals are not continuing to be available, and this contradicts the zoning ordinance, and Wendy Irish, we need long term housing more then we need short term rentals, Yea’s Patty Britton, DJ Raica, Bill Riordan and Mike Nettleton, 4-1 motion passed.

3. Open Public Hearing for John Madigan John Madigan is applying for a SLU to build a semi-detached hotel at Parcel # 051-484-014-00.

Mike Nettleton Made a motion to open the public hearing for John Madigan at Parcel # 051-484-014-00, Wendy Irish supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

a. Close Public Hearing for John Madigan

Wendy Irish made a motion to close the public hearing, Mike Nettleton supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

b. Planning Commission Decision on the SPU for John Madigan.

Mike Nettleton made a motion to approve the SLU as presented, DJ Raica supported the motion, roll call was conducted, Yea's Robbin Pavase, Patty Britton, Bill Riordan, DJ Raica, and Mike Nettleton, Nea's Wendy Irish, does not think it fits with the intent of Lakeshore 2, 5-1 Motion passed.

K. Old Business

None

L. City Managers Report

The City Manager Devin Olson discussed all on going projects happening within the City.

M. Zoning Administrators Report

See attached report

N. Round Table

Wendy asked about shipping containers, Wendy stated she wanted to make sure that they will not be allowed, Devin stated they are not allowed in the City of Munising. Bill Riordan asked about the city land purchase off Connors Rd. Devin stated that the city has been working with the Conservation District for about 2 years.

O. Brief Public Comments (3 Minute Limit)

Michael Robare spoke about short term rentals

P. Adjournment

Wendy Irish made a motion to Adjourn at 7:20pm, Bill Riorda supported the motion, all in favor, motion passed.