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The Planning Commission Regular Meeting was held at the Keweenaw County Courthouse in Eagle River. The meeting was called to order at 6:06 by Chairman John Soper.

Roll Call

Present: Jon Soper, Chairman

Richard Schaefer, Vice Chair

Carol Rose Fouts, County Commissioner, Representative

Jim Huovinen, Member

Joan Nelson, Zoning and Equalization Administrator

John Parsons, Member Tom O'Callaghan, Secretary

Absent: Deneen Connell, Member

AGENDA

Motion by John Parsons to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by Jim Huovinen. The motion was unanimously approved.

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Motion by Carol Fouts, to approve the October 27, 2009, Regular Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Jim Huovinen. The motion was unanimously approved.

Guests: Janet Shea

Proposed updates to the 2006 Keweenaw County Zoning Ordinance

Zoning Ordinance page 2-5:

Motion by Chairman Soper, seconded by Richard Schaefer,

The definition title will be changed from ABuilding Area or Building Footprint@ to ABuilding Footprint@ and AThe total horizontal area of the largest story of the principal building and all accessory buildings, exclusive of uncovered porches@ will be changed to Athe total horizontal area of the largest story of the principal building, exclusive of uncovered porches@.

The motion passed unanimously.

Section 7.3: The building inspector will be requested to review the section and comment on technical specifications.

Motion by Rich Schaefer, seconded by Jim Huovinen, to change Section 7.9.1 B3C from AThe accessory structure is not more than 144 square feet, nor more than one story ... @ to AThe accessory structure is not more than 200 square feet@. The motion passed unanimously.

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Commissioner Fouts noted that the majority of the business district in Mohawk was zoned R-1-B (Residential). No decision was made at this meeting.

The Secretary was requested to compile a compendium of all the agreed upon changes to the Zoning Ordinance.

Unfinished Business:

Zoning Administrator Joan Nelson reported that Mr. Robert Kaupi is not yet in compliance with Zoning, Building and Health department requirements.

At the last meeting the question was raised should the complainant=s name be removed from the zoning complaint form because of privacy issues. After discussion it was decided not to change the current form or procedures regarding the complainant=s name,

New Business:

The Planning Commission will contact the Keweenaw County Economic Development Committee to determine the status of the revision of the County Development Master plan.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment: None

Commission Final Comments: None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jim Huovinen. Motion seconded by Jon Soper.

Meeting adjourned at 8.05 pm.

Thomas O=Callaghan, Secretary

Attachments: none