

Keweenaw County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
February 25, 2020

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM

Roll Call:	John Parsons, absent	Barry Koljonen, Vice Chair
	Ned Huwatschek, Member	Steve Siira, Member
	Dan Steck, Member	Jim LaMotte, Member
	Jim Vivian, Commissioner	Sandra Gayk, Commissioner
	Ann Gasperich, Administrator	

The 5 Member quorum is present, the meeting was appropriately posted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Ned/Steve to approve the agenda, passed.

M/S Dan/Steve to approve minutes of the meeting on January 28, 2020, passed.

Guests: Bill Eddy

Public Comment None

Communications None

Unfinished Business

The changes to Article 9 were reviewed and discussed. **M/S Steck/LaMotte** to approve the changes and present them to the Board of Commissioners as a package with other approved changes, yea, Steck, LaMotte, Huwatschek, Siira, Koljonen, nay, none, abstain, Vivian & Gayk.

Ann asked the Land Use Map to be placed on the agenda again. She wanted to discuss some of the changes from extraction to manufacturing, as the map had been tabled from the January meeting. Extraction is no longer a district. By state law it is a special use in all districts. Noise and hours of operation can be part of the special use process.

The Zoning at Mt. Horace Greeley was discussed. Two meetings have taken place with Eagle Harbor and the County. The recommendation is to ask for the land to be rezoned Resort Service 2. Ann will visit with Chuck Miller regarding a change to the Land Use Map or the Master Plan.

New Business

The Capital Improvement Plan was reviewed. Ann provided an update to the line items that she could. The document will be distributed within the County Departments for additions, delays, and successful completions.

Jim Vivian suggested adding a trail head at the property south of US 41 and East of Gratiot Lake Road which is owned by the County Road Commission. It would allow for parking of vehicles and trailers, easy access to the trail system and in the future, maybe a bus stop for access to Copper Harbor and or the Ski Hill. He also wanted to see the Courthouse Safety included.

Sandra asked that we also add another parking area for Gratiot Park.

Jim and Ned spoke to KORC, Keweenaw Outdoor Recreation Coalition, a group that is working for all the outdoor activities in the Keweenaw. They have started attending meetings of other agencies and sharing their ideas to expand trails, manage land and acquire additional land for use.

Single Stream Recycling for Grant and Eagle Harbor residents is available.

The Zoning Administrator's Report

Ann asked for the review of the next section of the zoning ordinance. Green energy, Solar and Wind was talked about with 'current' considerations as accessory use. Ann wanted to be sure we also look at those as a principle use. Dan recommended we next review Article 7 General Provisions, consensus agreed. Article 7 it is.

Report from the ZBA – Next meeting April 9th.

Final Public Comments - none

Commission Final Comments Jim L was excited to see again! Cataracts are gone. Jim V apologized for missing the January meeting, he enjoys our group and wanted us to know.

Next Meeting March 31, 2020 4:00 PM

M/S Dan/Steve to Adjourn at 5:15.