Keweenaw County Planning Commission Regular Meeting Minutes July 26, 2016

Keweenaw County Courthouse 6:30 PM

Roll Call: Jon Soper, Chair John Parsons Absent

Richard Schaefer, Absent Tom Hall, Member

Steve Siira, Member Ned Huwatschek, Member

Ray Chase, Commissioner

Ann Gasperich Zoning Administrator

5 Member quorum is present, meeting was appropriately posted.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

M/S Ray/Tom to approve the agenda, moving the definition section to the August Agenda, passed.

M/S Ray/Ned to approve minutes of the regular meeting on June 28, 2016 meeting, passed.

Public Comment - there was none

Correspondence – none received

Guests: Bill Eddy, Mark Ahlborn, Mark and Kathy McEvers, Mary Long

Unfinished Business

The Land Use Plan and Map were discussed. There were questions regarding the inclusion of the Capital Improvement Project list within the document or as a separate document. The Capital Improvement Project will be a separate document that can readily be updated annually.

The Planning Commission thanked Ann for her willingness to meet with all of the Townships and Ahmeek many times to get the input from each municipality and for continuing to work so diligently to put the document and map together.

Ann then gave the timeline for the process to accept the Land Use Plan.

7/26/2016 Approve by the Planning Commission to present to the Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners (KCBOC). 8/17/16 Ann and Jon will present to the KCBOC.

8/18/16 Distribute the plan to all of the municipalities within and adjacent to Keweenaw County along with the Western UP Planning and Development Region.

9Wait 63 Days – October 20th to receive all comments on the Plan

September 27th – Set the Formal Hearing for October 25th

October 19th – Present to KCBOC the comments received to date

October 25 – Hold the Formal Public Hearing at the October Planning Commission meeting. Determine action on Comments Received. Modify Plan or Map as appropriate

November 1st – Provide KCBOC with updated version.

November 15th – KCBOC November Meeting to Approve final document.

M/S Tom/Steve to submit the proposed Blueprint for Tomorrow plan and Map to the County Board of Commissioners for Review and comment. Passed.

New Business

RS1 Vs RS2 for Copper Harbor was discussed and has been placed on the Future Land Use Map. Jon reminded everyone that no matter the zoning, we cannot allow new lots to be created that are less than the required road frontage and a 100' lot cannot be split into 2 50 foot lots per the ordinance.

RS Vs RR in Lac La Belle – Review Lot Sizes – There is much concern over the accuracy of the current zoning map. Many have commented the majority of the area surrounding the lake was to all have been resort residential along the Lac La Belle Road toward Gay. Resort Service was to only have been along the Bete Gris Road into the Mendota Plat, and the land occupied by Black Bear. Ann will prepare a map containing the size of the lots as listed in the original plats around Lac La Belle.

Ann provided the Zoning Administrator's Report with special notation to the requirement for WUPDHD approval for approved water and sewage on new construction, additions, and any modification to any non-conforming lot.

Final Public Comments – Mark Ahlborn inquired as to how to go about acquiring some of the predominant logging roads that have long provided access to State Lands. He will complete an inventory of those roads and bring it back to the Planning Commission.

Commission Final Comments -- None

Set Next regular meeting August 30th, 2016 6:30 PM Jon will not be able to attend

M/S Ray/Tom to adjourn at 7:42