

Keweenaw County Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
Minutes Aug 29, 2017

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Roll Call: Jon Soper, Chair John Parsons, Vice Chair,
 Richard Schaefer, Member Tom Hall, Member
 Steve Siira, Member Ned Huwatschek, Member
 Barry Koljonen, Member Dan Steck, Member
 Jim Vivian, Commissioner
 Ann Gasperich Zoning Administrator

5 Member quorum is present, meeting was appropriately posted.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

M/S Tom/Steve to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 25, 2017, passed.

Guests: Rick Olson, Bill Eddy

Public Comment - None

Communications - None

Unfinished Business

 Campground 10.12.4 was discussed.

M/S Steve /Dan to set the size for campgrounds as follows – in RS1 & RS2 – a minimum of two (2) acres, in AG, RR, & TR a minimum of ten (10) acres. Campgrounds are a special use. A public hearing is required.

 Further discussion was held on a setback for the greenbelt or buffer strip. A 20' perimeter setback was considered for 2 acres and the 100' perimeter setback was considered for the 10 acre campground. Ann will draft and get back to the planning commission prior to the next meeting.

 Dan asked that we consider reviewing the qualifications for all campgrounds, campsites including 1 – 4. The Chairman asked the item be placed on the zoning Administrators report for future discussion.

New Business

 Section 18.5.4 Duties of the ZA. **M/S Jon/Ned** to approve changing shall to can in the first sentence and removing the last sentence. The change will now read:

 18.5.4 Inspections: The Zoning Administrator can make as many inspections of buildings or premises as necessary to properly carry out the enforcement of

this Ordinance or any permit, approval, or condition of a permit or approval, or order under this Ordinance.

Jon brought up the Michigan Townships Association stance on short term rentals and his concern about this amending the Zoning and Enabling act that would limit the powers of the local zoning authority.

Ann gave the Zoning Administrator's Report – updating on the status of concerns in Sherman Township.

Report from the ZBA – no meeting, no report.

Final Public Comments - none

Commission Final Comments Jim spoke to a potential impact fee associated with new housing starts. It was discussed.

The Next regular meeting September 26, 2017 6:00 PM

M/S John/Jon to Adjourn 7:33