

ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE

November 7, 2013

Minutes of November Regular Meeting

Vilas County Courthouse Conference Rooms #2-3

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Agenda Item #1: Call to Order. The Chairman calls the Zoning and Planning Committee Meeting to Order at 9:00 AM at the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St, Eagle River, WI.

Members Present: Chris Mayer, Chairman; Lorin Johnson, Vice-Chairman; Chuck Hayes, Kathleen Rushlow; Ralph Sitzberger.

Others Present: Dawn Schmidt, Zoning Administrator; Karl Jennrich, Town of Conover; Scott Buss, Ken Gurski, George Holloway, Ronald Schultz, Clancy Senechalle, Robert Senechalle, Jay Richman, Richard Ruffalo.

Agenda Item #2: Approve Agenda. Motion by Kathleen Rushlow, seconded by Chuck Hayes, to approve the agenda in any order to be discussed by the Chair. All say aye, motion carried.

Agenda Item #3: Approve 10/8/2013 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes. Motion by Ralph Sitzberger, seconded by Lorin Johnson, to approve the minutes as presented. All say aye, motion carried.

The Committee and Zoning Office Personnel introduce themselves.

Agenda Item #4: Floodplain Zoning Ordinance. ZA Dawn Schmidt states that an amendment to the Vilas County Floodplain Zoning Ordinance was amended on the floor at the County Board meeting to withdraw the dam flood shadow maps. She states that she has been presented with concerns about this amendment from the public. Mr. Johnson presents his concerns about the Little Tamarack Dam and why he amended the resolution. Discussion regarding public feeling regarding the Floodplain Ordinance. Discussion regarding current and potential future ownership of the dam and surrounding areas. Discussion regarding the timeline for addressing the issues with the Floodplain Zoning Ordinance. Robert Senechalle describes the efforts and requirements of landowners on the Tamarack Flowage regarding the issues with the Little Tamarack Dam. Discussion regarding the hazard rating of the dam.

Agenda Item #5: Wireless Communications Ordinance. ZA Dawn Schmidt presents the proposed changes to the Wireless Communications Ordinance to conform to the new state requirements. She states that she proposes that a Conditional Use Permit no longer be required because of the changes in the timelines that the state requires. Discussion regarding the types of towers and permits required. Discussion regarding the potential fees, height restrictions and setbacks for wireless communication towers.

Agenda Item #6: Permit Refund Request: North Twin Builders. Mr. Johnson recuses himself from discussion of this line item. ZA Dawn Schmidt states that there was an error in calculating a permit fee that was paid by North Twin Builders. They are asking for a refund of \$105.60 to correct the mistake. Discussion regarding refunding the fee. Motion by Chuck Hayes, seconded by Kathleen Rushlow, to reimburse North Twin Builders in the amount requested. All say aye, motion carried.

Agenda Items 7-9 will be not considered.

Agenda Item #10: Letters and Communications. There are no letters or communications.

Agenda Item #11: Review Statistics and Budget. ZA Dawn Schmidt presents the October statistics to the Committee and states that the numbers are better than October 2012. She states that year to date we are still down but are beginning to catch up to last year. She states that we will have to do a line item transfer to correct a negative balance in the postage line item. Discussion regarding spending on postage.

Mr. Johnson returns to the meeting.

Agenda item #12: Out of County Travel. ZA Dawn Schmidt asks for her and Deputy Zoning Administrator to attend training involving Certified Survey Maps in Minocqua on December. Motion by Kathleen Rushlow, seconded by Ralph Sitzberger, to approve the travel. All say aye, motion carried.

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Agenda Item #13: Confirm November regular meeting location and date. The December regular meeting will be held on Thursday, December 5, 2013, at 9:00 AM at the Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Rooms #2&3.

Agenda Item #14: Adjournment. The Chairman adjourns the meeting at 10:17 AM.

Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.