



VILLAGE OF PENTWATER

Planning Commission

ON PENTWATER LAKE AND LAKE MICHIGAN
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Regular Meeting Minutes – January 28, 2020

Chairperson Ron Christians called the regular meeting of the Pentwater Village Planning Commission Meeting to order at 6:00 pm, with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Conroy, Bruce Koorndyk, Michelle Angell-Powell, Ron Christians, Mark Benner and Paul Anderson.

Absent: Kirstin McDonough.

Staff Present: Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Koorndyk, second by Anderson to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Anderson to approve the November 19, 2019 regular meeting minutes as corrected for attendance.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Anderson to approve the December 12, 2019 special meeting minutes as presented.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Report from the Pentwater Visioning Team – Chris Conroy.

Paula DeGregorio gave the introduction to a PowerPoint presentation produced by the Vision Team to summarize their work from the Community Assessment in June of 2019 to the last Town Hall meeting on December 16, 2019. Mark Shotwell summarized the results of the Summer Visitor's Poll then Mark Benner summarized the Community Survey and demographic information for the Pentwater Community. Kendra Flynn presented the Vision Statement prepared as a result of the Vision Team's efforts and

Chris Conroy presented the next steps for the Master Plan Steering Committee to be selected later in tonight's meeting.

B. Planning Commission 2020 Meeting Schedule.

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Conroy to approve the 2020 Planning Commission meeting schedule as presented.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent:1 Motion passed.

C. Master Plan Steering Committee.

Motion by Conroy, second by Angell-Powell to establish the Master Plan Steering Committee, a joint committee of the Village and Township Planning Commissions to be augmented with other members from the Pentwater Community.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent:1 Motion passed.

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Anderson to appoint Mark Benner and Chris Conroy as Village Planning Commission representatives to the joint Master Plan Steering Committee.

Voice Vote: Aye: 6 Nay: 0 Absent:1 Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

COMMITTEE/DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. Zoning Administrator – Mr. Edwards' written report was accepted by the Planning Commission.

B. Zoning Board of Appeals – The ZBA did not meet in October 2019.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM PLANNING COMMISSION MEMBERS – None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Norm Shotwell of 474 E. First Street is concerned that the Mears Family red barn on the River Farm, owned by the State of Michigan – located on Monroe Road in Weare Township may be in jeopardy.

Richard Ouweneel stated that he was impressed with the Vision Team's work thus far. He suggested a matrix of issues to be aligned with interest groups, and the creation of a list of good places to go in the area such as restaurants. He also suggested that White Pine Village in Mason County may be interested in the Mears red barn.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Ron Christians at 7:11 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator

February 3, 2020

Approved by the Village of Pentwater Planning Commission on May 26, 2020.

