



VILLAGE OF PENTWATER

Planning Commission

ON PENTWATER LAKE AND LAKE MICHIGAN
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Regular Meeting Minutes – November 19, 2019

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 and Michelle Angell-Powell, Ron Christians, and Paul Anderson.

Absent: Mark Benner & Kirstin McDonough.

Staff Present: Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Conroy to approve the agenda as presented.

Voice Vote: Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2 Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Angell-Powell, second by Koorndyk to approve the October 22, 2019 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Voice Vote: Aye: 5 Nay: 0 Absent: 2 Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None.

PUBLIC HEARING – None.

OLD BUSINESS

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

Chris Conroy stated that the Community Survey closes December 2, and that the results of all three public input efforts would be presented at the December 16, 2019 Town Hall Meeting at the First Baptist Church at 5:30 pm. January 28 The Village Planning Commission will host a joint meeting of the Village and Township Planning Commissions to organize for the 2020/2040 Pentwater Community Master Plan.

B. Complete Streets Design Concept – Carroll & Lowell Streets – Presentation by Fleis & Vandenbrink (F&V).

David Bluhm from F&V provided a summary of the grant funding and timelines for the complete streets project. A recommendation from the Planning Commission to the Services Committee of Village Council is expected in December of 2019. Rick Stout of F&V presented several design concepts for consideration and discussion by the Planning Commission. All proposed improvements along Carroll and Lowell Streets would take place within the existing 66-foot-wide right-of-way (ROW) of each street.

Public Comments

- Bob Sandberg of 38 Hancock Street – agrees that there is not really a parking problem in Pentwater.
- Pat Sanders of 14 Hancock Street – concerned about the loss of green space, more flooding (storm water management problem) and does not like angled parking in front of her house.
- Judy Levich of 55 E, Lowell – had several questions regarding the design concepts.
- Mary Jo Todd of the Lakewood Manufactured Home Park – was concerned that community trees are in trouble, need a millage for tree care and management, values quietness & pedestrian facilities. Sidewalks are in need of repair.
- Rise Rasch of 40 E. Lowell – concerned about angled parking and backing out into traffic with a concern for hitting bicyclists. Traffic flow should look @ traffic counts, sight distance to corners and drainage.

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 – None.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned by Chairperson Ron Christians at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Keith Edwards, Zoning Administrator

November 29, 2019

Approved by the Village of Pentwater Planning Commission on January 28, 2020.

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