

CITY OF FIFTY LAKES
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION/BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
February 2, 2010

The City of Fifty Lakes Planning Commission/Board of Adjustments monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, February 2, 2010 in the City Hall at 4:30 p.m. The following officers were present: Jack Riordan, Vice Chairperson, Nancy Brooks, Tim Anick, Jay Weinmann, Duey Bendt, Members. Absent: Judy Hansen and Jerry Olson. Gordy Reller, Planning & Zoning Administrator and Ann Raph, Deputy Clerk. Also present: Greg Buchite. Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. MOTION MADE BY MS BROOKS AND SECONDED BY MR ANICK TO APPROVE THE JANUARY 5TH, 2010 MEETING MINUTES AS PRESENTED. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business: Easement filings with Crow Wing County came up at a planners meeting a couple of weeks ago. Gordy stated that presently the City of Fifty Lakes does not “sign off” on any access easements before they are filed with CWC. All subdivisions have to be approved or “signed off” by the City before they are filed with the County. The city has no authority to require easements to be approved by the City before being filed with CWC. Gordy is conferring with other cities to see if they are aware of this and how they are handling it.

Gordy presented a zoning permit fee schedule with revisions. MOTION MADE BY MR. BENDT AND SECONDED BY MS. BROOKS TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COUNCIL THE ZONING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE WITH REVISIONS. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion carried.

Fifty Lake Property Owners Association has a survey that Gordy passed out along with a planning guide from the League of MN Cities. Gordy will forward copies to those interested.

Discussion held on the accessibility of a grant writer for the city.

Unfinished Business:

Gordy presented the PCBOA duties to the council in January and they were approved.

At the January council meeting shoreland alterations were discussed. A request was to run this by the City attorney for his opinion. The City does have the authority to require permits for shoreland alteration, including riprap and ice ridge. If something that is installed (rip-rap or ice ridge alteration for example) that does not follow DNR guidelines, Gordy would contact the DNR. Any enforcement action if work done did not follow guidelines would be up to the DNR. The recommendation from the PCBOA will stand.

Zoning Map: Gordy is working on getting the official zoning map recognized and implemented as an ordinance.

Temporary structures: Gordy is of the opinion that because this has gone back and forth that maybe “temporary structures” definition should not be enacted and ANY structure would require a permit. Discussion followed. The committee that has worked on this will review again and bring back another recommendation.

CUP/IUP 4.03 grid in our Ordinance. Gordy is reviewing this and all instances where the phrase Conditional Use Permit, CUP, Interim Use Permit or IUP is found in the ordinances and should have something by next meeting.

There is no deadline for final or preliminary plat filing times for the City. Gordy would like to recommend that final plat filings be filed with the county with in 18 months of approval. Preliminary plats would have a year before they are submitted for final plat approval. Gordy will work on this and send out updated copies for the commission to review at the next meeting.

Gordy proposed a category for “storage units.” This would make a change to 4.03 and only be allowed in Industrial Zoning. No property is currently zoned Industrial in Fifty Lakes. Gordy will have something more for the next meeting.

Findings of Fact to support or deny a variance was reviewed.

Citizens Forum: None

Adjournment: MOTION MADE BY MR. ANICK AND SECONDED BY MS BROOKS TO ADJOURN. When polled: All members voted aye. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Ann Raph, Deputy Clerk