

MINUTES
CITY OF IRON RIVER
PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 3, 2016
9:00AM

The meeting was called to order at by Chair Commenator at 9:00a.m. in the Community Room at City Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Present: Darren Mercier, Pete Djupe, Ben Smith, Jere Fritsche, Charlotte Soderbloom and Chair Rick Commenator.

Absent:

Bob Byczek Jr.

Also Present: City Manager /Zoning Administrator David Thayer and Attorney Mark Tousignant

Public Present: None.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Fritsche, seconded by Djupe that the agenda be approved as distributed. MOTION Carried

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Djupe, seconded by Soderbloom that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 1 , 2016 and the Special Meeting of October 14, 2016 be approved as distributed. MOTION CARRIED

City Managers Report.

a. Zoning Board of Appeals:

Will have training for the ZBA as to the do's and don'ts, functions and duties and responsibilities.

b. Capital Improvement Plan:

The PC will look into a Capital Improvement Plan (6 year plan) for possible presentation by

4/1/2017.

c. Homestead Incentive Program:

Being there are numerous large parcels within the city where land use for small farm use would be an option. Using Rural Development for loans/grants might be an incentive for the development of these parcels.

d. Sellable Lots:

Looking to make city owned lots sellable to abutting land owners. Most of the platted lots in the city are small (20, 30, 40 X 120 feet) and not buildable. The abutting land owner would be able to build without going to the ZBA for a variance and the lot(s) go back on the tax roll.

Old Business

a. Part 4: Zoning Ordinance Review - Zoning Districts

So far we have the following Zoning Districts:

- R-1a Single Family -Small Lots
- R-1b Single Family - Larger Lots
- R-2 Multi- Family - Low Density
- CB Central Business
- C-1 Local Service
- C-2 Regular Service
- I-1 Industrial
- G-1 Government Land

The Zoning District map is being tweaked to reflect the zoning Districts.

Sections 4.3.2(3), 5.14.2, 5.27 and 5.4.3 were reviewed

b. Part 5: General and Special Provisions

Minor sentence construction was looked at.

New Business

a. Part 6: Environmental Protection and Design Provisions

Landscape Islands and Fences were looked at.

b. Redevelopment Ready Communities

Thayer reviewed the Redevelopment Ready Plan with PC. By being certified through the RRC, the State MEDC will assist with the promotion and marketing of up to three Redevelopment Ready Sites.

Public Comment:

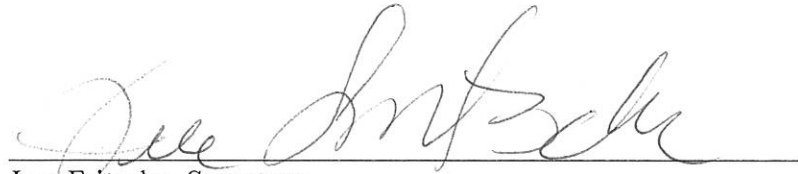
None.

Commissioner Comments:

None

Adjournment:

Being no further business, Mercier moved, seconded by Smith that the meeting be adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35am.



Jere Fritsche, Secretary

NOTE: Next meeting scheduled for December 3, 2016 @ 9:00AM