

MINUTES
City of Alpena Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
February 13, 2018
Alpena, Michigan

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Randy Boboltz, Planning Commission Vice-Chair.

ROLL CALL: PLANNING COMMISSION

PRESENT: Mitchell, Gilmore, VanWagoner, Boboltz, Lewis, Austin, Wojda, Kirschner

ABSENT: Sabourin

STAFF: Adam Poll (Director of Planning & Development), and Cassie Stone (Recording Secretary).

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The Agenda was approved as printed. *(Poll notes that on the agenda that previously went out to the Planning Commission members contained the wrong date for the approval of minutes. January 9, 2018, minutes to be approved not December 12, 2017).*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 9, 2018, minutes were approved as printed.

PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMISSION ACTION:

BUSINESS: PC 18-TXT-001: amend the following sections of the City Zoning Ordinance relating to the regulation of signage.

Poll briefly explains some of the proposed changes that staff had previously mentioned. Signs that would be excluded from a permit would be signs that are contained directly on a canopy or awning. A Vision triangle does not apply in zoning districts that allow buildings to be constructed up to the corner of the property line. Poll added that he moved temporary signs to the freestanding area that will allow temporary freestanding signs in a residential zone. It does not allow temporary wall signs in a residential zone. The total amount of freestanding temporary signage for a residential lot may not exceed twelve square feet. Also added was no individual temporary sign may exceed 4 square feet. A home occupation will also be needed to

allow for an eight square foot sign. Under the wall sign section, window signs are regulated as wall signage in residential districts was added. Water District was added to the height section for freestanding signs. A lot of the language under temporary signs that was previously on the ordinance had to be removed because they were content neutral. The number and size of temporary signs section Poll had strike will be added back in with a number of one under the temporary sign section. Mitchell added on the table section to change all the ft² to reflect sq. ft. The business & industrial table section also needs to be amended to allow temporary signs, Wojda added.

Motion made by Lewis, to approve the ordinance with the changes discussed. Seconded by Mitchell.

Ayes: Austin, Mitchell, Gilmore, Lewis, Kirschner, VanWagoner, Boboltz, Wojda

Nay: None

Absent: Sabourin

Motion approved by a vote of 8-0.

COMMUNICATIONS: None

REPORTS:

Development Update

Poll stated that Northland Credit Union is moving forward. Assisted Living Facility is looking at breaking ground this summer but are still working out details.

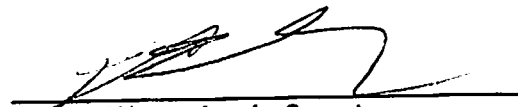
Redevelopment Ready Communities Program

Poll was happy to announce that the check list was complete. End of April, early May is when we are officially certified. A press release, along with a ceremony, will be held at a later date.

CALL TO PUBLIC: None

MEMBERS COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m. by Boboltz, Planning Commission Vice-Chair.


Wayne Lewis, Secretary