

ELY TOWNSHIP
Planning Commission Special Meeting
June 1, 2021 – 6:30pm
Meeting Taped and In-Person

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Don Magnuson called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

ROLL CALL

Donald Magnuson, Arthur Gischia, Randy Ruppel, Aaron Carr – Present. Dustin Kennedy – Absent. Also, present Erin Stratton (recording Secretary). In attendance was Cody Martin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was in order.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Motion by Carr, supported by Ruppel to approve the Minutes of the May 10, 2021 Planning Commission. Ayes - 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Stratton presented a past communication with Marquette County in regards to approval of a similar hearing. It was advised for her to reach out to former clerk Kim Wing for help in the process.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Magnuson recommended Approval of the Agenda. Motion by Gischia, supported by Carr to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes - 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Martin- Public Hearing was opened. There were no residents in attendance for Public Comment. Gischia questioned the applicant recommendation of rezoning to Residential 10 rather than Recreational Structure 10. By doing this there would not need to be a change to the Master Plan and Martin would need to apply for a Conditional Use. The proposed change would be consistent with the "Future Use" designated in the Master Plan. Magnuson questioned the road in that area as it was abandoned by the previous owner. Martin stated that it is a County Right-of-Way and he did maintain it last winter. He does have easement.

Gischia made a motion to rezone Parcel 52-03-210-054-00 to Recreational Structure 10 (RS-10). Martin would then need to apply for a Conditional Use to build a family home. This would then follow with the Future Use for that zoning district in the Master Plan of Ely Township. Carr seconded the motion. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried.

B. Kuopus- Kuopus was not in attendance. There were no residents in attendance for Public Comment. Gischia made a motion to rezone parcel 52-03-210-056-00 to Recreational Structure 10 (RS-10) as well. Ruppel seconded the motion. Ayes – 4, Nays – 0. Motion carried. Public Hearing was closed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Martin asked for clarification on the difference between Residential 10 and Recreational Structure 10, which Gischia explained from the Zoning Ordinance Book. He thanked the Commission for their time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Randy to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Carr. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Stratton, Recording Secretary