

City of Bayfield Plan Commission

Minutes of Wednesday, January 6, 2016 at 5 p.m.

Call to Order - Roll Call: Mayor MacDonald called the meeting to order at 5 p.m. at the Bayfield City Hall followed by roll call.

Present: Oeltjenbruns, Burkel, Hackbarth, Durfey and Mayor MacDonald.
Dougherty arrived at 6 p.m.

Absent: Johnson

Others: Attorney Colleen Daly, Billie Hoopman, and Peter Skoro

Approve Agenda: Burkel/Oeltjenbruns moved to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

Previous Meeting minutes of November 9, 2015: Burkel/Hackbarth made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Burkel informed the Commission she had a few questions but was able to discuss them with Hoopman prior to the meeting. Carried.

Public Input on Agenda Items: Peter Skoro was present to get an update on the revisions proposed to the Parking Ordinance. Although he didn't have the revised ordinance prior to the meeting, from what he's read he feels it covers what is needed.

Agenda Item(s):

1. Parking Ordinance Amendments: The Commission received a copy of the Parking Regulation Ordinance that shows the sub-committee's proposed changes along with Attorney Daly's revisions and comments. Considerable discussion ensued among Commissioner's and Attorney Daily. Mr. Skoro also added some valuable input. As a result some clarifications were made to the draft document and in summary the rules proposed will allow a maximum of two recreational vehicles outside of a structure, and no more than four motor vehicles. The notations regarding percentages would be removed.

Burkel/Oeltjenbruns made a motion to have Attorney Daly amend the ordinance as discussed and to send the final revised document to the Council with the recommendation to move forward with a the required Public Hearing (either at next Council or it can be designated to the Plan Commission Meeting) in hopes of adoption at the Council's March Meeting. Carried.

2. Sign Sub-Committee Update: Copies of the November 9 and December 14, 2015 minutes were provided to the Commission. Attorney Daly inquired about how the Commission/Sub-Committee wants to handle the changes required by the recent Supreme Court ruling. Oeltjenbruns invited her to attend the next meeting which is scheduled for Monday, January 11, 2015 at 10 a.m. at the Bayfield City Hall. Daly indicated she may not be able to attend due to other commitments, but agreed to review their draft revisions, and will continue to work with them on changes needed based on this new interpretation of the law.

3. Direct Seller's Ordinance: The minutes from the previous meeting were recently provided to Attorney Daily. Hoping to have final version ready for the next meeting.

- 4. Sluiceway Wall:** Commissioners were provided with the recent article in the Ashland Daily Press along with four written proposals for the wall:
- Bob Lindell and Delphine Souza – Mural with an arrow showing the way to the ferry
 - Grant Wilcox – Low maintenance green space, no sign please
 - Don Albrecht – Possibly a cascade or spray fountain
 - Marilyn VanSant – Historical marker attesting to the solution to the disastrous flooding in Bayfield for decades

The Mayor informed the Commission he received a phone call from Mary Hepner who told him she had cared for flowers at this site for many years and watering them was an issue. She said she liked the fountain idea.

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The Commission likes the idea of incorporating a variety of these options. Marilyn VanSant's comments about the historic value of the area resonated with them and they felt it fits nicely into the overall waterfront walk concept. They feel strongly the City of Bayfield should move forward with a combination of these ideas and make it into another great project. They felt the concept of a fountain landscaped with very low maintenance ground cover along with a historical marker/plaque or trail marker explaining the value of this water run-off system would meet many of the City's goals and objectives; connecting trail systems, development and beautification of our parks/greenspace, and connects the City's heritage relating to the flood and fountains. Oeltjenbruns/Burkel made a motion to suggest to the Council that this concept be further investigated and sent to any and all other City Committees for input and future action. Carried.

- 5. Set next meeting:** The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 8, 2015 at 4 p.m.

Some questions were asked:

- Are we going to have a candidate forum? It was noted these types of forums are usually put on by the Women's League of Voters. Dougherty said they are in progress. Hoopman suggested the use of the Pavilion for a local forum.
- Who can vote? Hoopman indicated they will be promoting voter registration and informing voters of the new Voter ID requirement.

Adjournment: Oeltjenbruns/Dougherty moved to adjourn. Carried.

Minutes by: Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk