

**PLAN COMMISSION  
TOWN OF GRANT  
JANUARY 27, 2010**

Present at the meeting were Sharon Schwab, Julie Kramer, Darcy Held, Marty Rutz, Nathan Wolosek, Scott Provost and Jim Wendels. Not present was excused member Darcy Held. Dale Bates from Badgerland Home Consultants was present for the UDC portion of our agenda.

Meeting called to order by Jim Wendels at 7:05.

**November minutes reviewed. Sharon moved to approve as corrected, Nathan seconded the motion. Julie will make necessary changes.**

**CITIZEN INPUT**

- There wasn't any citizen input.

**UDC**

- Reviewed citizens input from Public Hearing, adopting Option #1.
- Changes to make in OPTION #1.
  1. Renumber CONTENTS to match content.
  2. 1.4; Bold and capitalize the work DEFINITION to make it uniform with the layout of the ordinance.
  3. 1.5; Change title to match content name.
  4. 1.7; strike "decks"
  5. 1.7; Keep dollar amount at \$25,000
  6. Marty will determine if a remodel project is a "structural alteration."
- *A motion was made to propose Option #1 as amended to the Town Board for adoption. Sharon made the motion to accept, Scott seconded the motion. Sharon recused herself from the vote. Nathan Wolosek, nay, remaining member's aye.*
- Julie will update the ordinance and e-mail a copy to all the Plan Commission members.

**ZONING ADMINSTRATOR UPDATE**

- Marty reported on building permits issued for the month of December, which totaled \$825.
- Marty reported that a property previously containing 7 or 8 junk cars piled up has been cleaned up with the exception of 1 car.
- Marty reported that through aerial photos taken by the county, 2 ponds were discovered in a zoned agriculture district. CUP's are required and will be addressed in March.

**AMENDED ZONING ORDINANCE**

The plan commission members do not have the updated Zoning Ordinance. Jim will send a copy to Jeff Schuler.

**PUTTING YOUR COMPREHENSIVE PLAN IN ACTION MEETING**

Nathan Wolosek attended this meeting and briefed us on the following.

- Coverage on procedures for Conditional Use Permits. Nathan reported that our actions in dealing with CUP's are right on target.

- Comprehensive Plan: Make sure the towns future zoning map is still how you want it to read. Revisit the map every 5 years or sooner if you're community is growing progressively. (Chapter 8, Land Use Elements.)
- Sharon will get wall maps of Current and Future Land Use Plan Map.

### **TOWNS ASSOCIATION MEETING**

Nathan Wolosek attended this meeting and briefed us on the following.

- Speaker George Kraft talked about ground water in Portage County.
- By 2012 all roadside warning signs must be replaced.
- By 2015 all street signs must be replaced.
- There will be a referendum on the April 6<sup>th</sup> ballot for the Portage County Courthouse Project.

### **REVIST OF FEE CHART/ZONING PERMIT**

Add "Structural Alteration or" to line number 2 to read ... Additions: Structural alterations or Primary residence or Commercial/Industrial Building

### **REVIEW/REVISE FIRE ORDINANCE**

Because of the lengthy discussion on the UDC, the commission was unable to address this agenda item. Darcy shared an Ordinance Establishing Fire Protection Charges.

### **CONTINUE UPDATING OF DOG ORDINANCE**

Because of the lengthy discussion on the UDC, the commission was unable to address this agenda item. Next meeting address cruelty definition, standard of care, and dangerous animals. See Grand Rapids, 8.6; Portage County 4.9.9, and 4.9.10 pertaining to standard of care. Relook at Section 4.4

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 by Scott Provost, seconded by Nathan Wolosek.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00

Respectfully Submitted,

Julie Kramer  
Plan Commission Secretary

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Julie will make changes to UDC and email to commission members  
 Jim will send Jeff Schuler Amended Zoning Ordinance  
 Julie will email Marty the Quarry Pond Permit Application  
 Julie will email Sharon the Recycling and MSW ordinances  
 Check to see if ODC takes computer monitors  
 Review with the Transfer Station employees items that are dumpster/nondumpster items  
 Invite Pete to the Plan Commission meeting in June 2010 to report his progress on cleaning up of junk on his property.