

**Charter Township of Ironwood
Planning Commission
Regular Meeting/Public Hearing
April 18, 2019**

Call to Order: 6:00 p.m. The Regular Meeting/Public Hearing was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Joe Kafczynski, Joe Rohde, Jason Hofstede, Marlene Saari- Mieloszyk,(arrived at 6:10) Darrin Kimbler, Bob Lynn, Sandy Lahtinen

Absent: none

Also Present: LeRoy Johnson, Dean Pearson, Brandon Lende, Don Ball, Paul Luppino, Dennis Beaudette, Steve Tiziani, Scott Suvanto

Public Comment: none

Additions and/or Approval of Agenda: Motion by Kafczynski, seconded by Lynn, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of January 17, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion by Lynn, seconded by Rohde, to approve the January 17, 2019 regular meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Old Business: Appointment of secretary to Planning Commission. Motion by Kimbler, seconded by Rohde to appoint Sandy Lahtinen as Ad hoc Secretary until a new secretary could be appointed. Motion carried.

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC HEARING: Consider the renewal of gravel pit applications (see below) for 2019. Motion by Kimbler, supported by Rohde, to close the regular meeting and move into the public hearing for the renewal of gravel pit applications.(6:08 p.m.) Motion carried.

CONSIDER:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF IRONWOOD

NOTICE OF PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING/ PUBLIC HEARING ON
PROPOSED RENEWAL OF SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR THE OPERATION OF SAND
AND GRAVEL PITS

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Ironwood Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on **April 18, 2019 at 6:00 Pm** in the Charter Township Building-Board Room.

The following applications for renewal of their special use permits for sand and gravel pit operations will be considered.

1. Rooni Pit-Ruotsala N12451 Black River Rd.	2. Payne & Dolan Inc., Operator, at N 13064 Black River Road
3. Tiziani Sand & Gravel, LLC at Sec 8 T48N, R47W Lake Rd.	4. Pisco Pit at N11536 Vanderhagen Rd. .
5. Suvanto Pit at Sec 30, T48N, R46W,	6. Lupino Pit, Pit Rd. Sec. 33 T48, R46
7. Pearson Pit, Sec. 8 N48, 47W East of Partridge Lane	8. Steiger Pit, Sec 35 48N, 47W Stone Rd.
9. Suutala Pit, Sec 4, R47, 47W, Vanderhagen Rd.	10. Northwoods Paving, N11426 Junet Rd.
11. Keweenaw-Ruotsala Pit, Rooni Lane	12. Niemi Pit at Hedberg & Pit Lane
	13. Lupino Pits, Black River Road Rd 440 acres

Interested persons desiring to present their views upon the special use permits either verbally or in writing will be given the opportunity to be heard at the above mentioned time and place. Written comments concerning the special use permits may be filed with the Zoning Administrator or planning commission chairman at or before such meeting and will become a part of the permanent record of the hearing.

The Charter Township of Ironwood will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon (3 day's notice) to the Charter Township of Ironwood, in writing or calling the following: Mary Segalin, Clerk- N10892 Lake Road. (906) 932-8446.

Approval of Gravel Pit Applications for 2019: Lahtinen requested that all pit owners/operators have similar descriptions and contact information on the applications for Special Use Permits and Spreadsheet. The Zoning Administrator attached copies of the original land use applications while updates were being made to the Spreadsheet. Lahtinen and Hofstede requested reclamation information on the Suutala Pit, Sec 4, R47, 47 W, Vanderhagen Road. Johnson reported that reclamation of this pit is in progress and additional information will be presented at future meetings. Motion by Rohde, seconded by Kimbler, to renew the above gravel pit applications, with the exclusion of #9, the Suutala Pit, Sec 4, 47, 47 W, Vanderhagen Road. Roll call vote, all in favor. Motion by Rohde, seconded by Kimbler, to close the public hearing, (6:15 PM) and move back to the regular meeting. Motion carried.

Second Public Hearing: Motion by Kimbler (6:16 PM) seconded by Lynn to enter into the second public hearing: All in favor, motion carried. A special use request by Gogebic Western, LLC whose address is E5108 Jackson Road, wants to convert a single family dwelling into 2-2 bedroom – 1 bath rental units at E 4980 and E4982 Sunset Road. (See attached information from Zoning Administrator).

Dennis Beaudette, co-owner of the E4982 Sunset Road addressed the board. Johnson reported that notices have been sent to the neighbors with no objections. Rohde questioned the firewall between the buildings. Beaudette said the unit was a four (4) plex and he will open it up. Upon the approval of the building inspector, the board approved the motion by Kimbler, seconded by Rohde to grant the special use request to convert a single family dwelling into 2-2 bedroom – 1 bath rentals at E4980 and E4982 Sunset Road. All in favor. Motion carried. Motion by Saari, seconded by Rohde, to move back to the regular meeting. (6:22 PM)

Zoning Administrator:

Monthly Report(s) – Letter from Brett Imwalle to Steve Boyd on enforcing ordinances and permits of mechanical heating appliances was presented and discussed. (See attached email, letter to Jacobs, McDonald, and Silc, Appeal of Zoning Administrator’s decision, and Office of Zoning Administrator’s response.) Motion by Hofstede, seconded by Saari to have Johnson look into the matter further and get back to the board at the next meeting.

New Business: none

Public Comment: none

Adjournment/Schedule Next Meeting: Motion by Kimbler, seconded by Rohde, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Next meeting will be July 18, 2019 at 6:00 p. m. Motion carried.

Jason Hofstede, Chairman

Sandy Lahtinen,(Ad Hoc) Secretary