

Ishpeming Planning Commission  
Meeting Minutes for February 05, 2018  
(**Agenda items** are in **bold text**)  
6:30 P.M. @ Ishpeming City Hall

**A. Call to Order** for the Ishpeming Planning Commission was by Chairperson Gabe Seelen at 6:31 P.M.

**B. Roll Call**

Present: Planning Commissioners Gabe Seelen, Harry Weikel, Jim Bertucci, Larry Bussone, Mike Tonkin, and Brooke Routhier.

Absent: Angelo Bosio, Bruce Houghton, and Diane Gauthier.

Public present: Al Pierce, Zoning Administrator.

**C. Public Comment:** none

**D. Approval of Agenda** – The Agenda was approved unanimously with the addition of Old Business 3. Jasperlite Development upon a motion by Harry Weikel supported by Jim Bertucci.

**E. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** –The meeting minutes of January 08, 2018 were approved unanimously as presented upon a motion by Larry Bussone supported by Brooke Routhier.

**F. Presentations** – none.

**G. Public Hearings** – none.

**H. New Business**

**1. Review of City of Ishpeming Proposed Zoning Ordinance revisions Sec.'s 1-20 & Appendix "A"**

Brooke addressed Definition revisions to Apartment, Assisted Living Facility, Building-Non-conforming, Family Day Care Home, Kennel, NAICS Code, Open Space, and Zoning Compliance Permit. She also brought to the groups' attention several other numbering, word arrangement, punctuation and composition issues for consistency. Al will remove Feedlot, check the standard definition of Floor Area, Usable, add "continued on next page" to Lot Width, check references to other Ishpeming ordinances, add reference information to "Public Utility Substations", revise CBD setbacks and fireproof sidewall note, Schedule of Regulations, and PUD text.

Al presented Appendix "A" with all Commercial uses permitted by Right or Conditional Use in Ishpeming's ordinance highlighted in yellow. While the use of the NAICS is new to Ishpeming, commissioners were hopeful that the information presented would be of assistance to the general public. Time will be the best judge of this approach.

**2. Informational Article: How Mountain Biking Saved a Minnesota Town**

Commissioners noted the many similarities between Crosby, MN and Ishpeming and the resurgence of economic activity propelled in part by mountain biking. Ishpeming has several on-going initiatives that collectively are anticipated to have an impact in the near future. It's trusted that zoning revisions will enable entrepreneurial efforts.

## **I. Old Business**

### **1. Revised Zoning Ordinance Sections sent to CUPPAD**

A self-explanatory update of progress to date. As of December 11, 2017 the entire revised ordinance has been furnished to CUPPAD. As of Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Al informed Richard Smith that he believed CUPPAD had completed their contractual arrangement with the City. The City will finish the Ordinance details.

### **2. Zoning Ordinance Sub-Committee Review**

Next meeting is planned for February 28, 2018 at 4:00 P.M.

### **3. Jasperlite Development Status**

Al reported on his recent contact with Ben Ide of Haan Development. Ben inquired regarding the process for creating a new description to attach the parking lot with the GLRC building. Al explained that in order to subdivide a platted lot, a Survey and Description had to be submitted to the ZBA for a hearing and approval. The necessary information was emailed to him. Since this conversation, there has been no further contact.

## **J. Correspondence**

- 1. Copy of Planning Commission Annual Report** – copy furnished to Commissioners.
- 2. IOHT 2018-2023 Recreation Plan Correspondence** - copy furnished to Commissioners.

**K. Meeting Adjournment** was unanimous upon a motion by Larry Bussone supported by Harry Weikel at 8:30 P.M.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alan K. Pierce, Zoning Administrator