

Ishpeming Planning Commission
Meeting Minutes for June 19, 2017 (**Agenda items** are in **bold text**)
7:00 P.M. @ Ishpeming City Hall

A. Call to Order for the Ishpeming Planning Commission was by Chairperson Gabe Seelen at 7:02 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Present: Planning Commissioners Mike Tonkin, Angelo Bosio, Larry Bussone, Gabe Seelen, Jim Bertucci and Brooke Routhier. Harry Weikel arrived at 7:17 P.M.

Absent: Diane Gauthier and Bruce Houghton

Public present: Mark Slown and Al Pierce, Zoning Administrator.

C. Public Comment – None – closed at 7:06 P.M.

D. Approval of Agenda – The Agenda was approved unanimously as presented upon a motion by Angelo Bosio supported by Jim Bertucci.

E. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes of May 01, 2017 were approved unanimously as presented upon a motion by Larry Bussone supported by Mike Tonkin.

F. Presentations – none.

G. Public Hearings – none.

H. New Business

1. Proposed 2018 Capital Improvements Plan (CIP 2018 – 2023)

Mark stated that this was the second year for a Capital Improvements Plan. He indicated that while there is no report on the prior year, pretty fair progress has been made. The Stormwater, Asset Management, and Wastewater (SAW) grant program is underway and the USDA Water Project is scheduled for a bond closing in mid-July. Jim asked about the availability of a water project map and Mark stated that he will get an updated map. Larry questioned the extent of water fund reductions and Mark responded that the project was scaled back to \$12 million for future flexibility purposes.

Brooke also noted the billing increase and asked what water use reduction was anticipated. Mark responded that a 20% loss is a targeted goal. She also asked how the Sanitary Sewer system would be affected by the water main reconstruction. Mark indicated that in a few specific areas both sanitary and water would be done due to proximity and cost effectiveness but relatively little impact is anticipated due to prior storm-sanitary separation. The costs of replacing sewer lines was confirmed to come from the Sanitary Sewer fund. She also queried about lowering of some water lines and was informed that will be happening on an as-required basis. Upon asking when the construction would commence, she was informed that it would start around July to November this year and due to a later start than planned, it may move to becoming a 3 year project. Harry questioned the proposed starting date and Mark informed him that it would be probably late July. Gabe directed the focus back to the 2018-2023 Capital Improvement Plan. Brooke questioned the necessity of replacing AR-15 rifles on Page 24-18 and the type of requested weapons for officer safety and public protection were brought forward. Gabe noted that there were numerous typographical errors in the 2018-2023 CIP.

A motion by Jim Bertucci supported by Angelo Bosio to accept the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2018 through 2023, as presented, passed unanimously.

2. PC Review of Updated Sections 1-12 Inclusive of the Present Ishpeming Zoning Ordinance Prior to Return to CUPPAD

Al presented Sections 1 thru 12 of the present Ishpeming Zoning Ordinance, proposed by Richard Smith of CUPPAD, and reviewed and edited / revised by Al and Zoning Ordinance Review Committee. Al provided background information on the rationale for revising definition names and text, references to other ordinances, removing feedlots, NAICS, removing vision triangles, amendment procedures, recovery houses, etc. He indicated that once updated it would be reviewed again in totality with the Zoning Ordinance as a whole.

Upon review, a motion by Angelo Bosio supported by Harry Weikel that edited Sections 1 thru 12 inclusive of the City of Ishpeming Zoning Ordinance be transmitted to CUPPAD for compilation, subject to final review by the Planning Commission and adoption by the City Council, passed unanimously.

I. Old Business

1. Zoning Ordinance Sub-Committee Review

The next meeting with Mike Tonkin, Bruce Houghton, Harry Weikel and Gabe Seelen will be July 26, 2017 at 4:00 P.M. in City Council chambers.

2. DDA / Rainbow Bar Clarification / Update

Al met with Dave Thibeault and has revised the Site Plan to reflect their conversation. While the Rainbow Bar may be the Grantee on the deed, the intent has always been for Bucks Sub Shop to move from the present location to this site. Accordingly there will be no alcoholic beverages sold at this site and accessing the future patio area carrying a sub on the sidewalk should not cause any difficulties. The Site Plan has been revised to depict a potential future service window, counter or door in the West building wall and reissued on June 01, 2017.

J. Correspondence – none.

K. Meeting Adjournment was unanimous upon a motion by Larry Bussone supported by Angelo Bosio at 9:05 P.M.

By: _____
Alan K. Pierce, Zoning Administrator