

BALDWIN TOWNSHIP

30239 128th Street, Princeton MN 55371

PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

April 17, 2019

Call to Order:

On this 17th day of April, 2019 the special meeting of the Baldwin Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Richard Marshall at 7:15 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call:

Commissioners present were Richard Marshall, Richard Harris, Sherry Newman and Clarence Mattson. Baldwin Town Board Liaison Bryan Lawrence was absent. The Claim Forms were filled out and returned.

Approve / Disapprove Agenda:

A motion was made by Commissioner Harris to approve the special meeting agenda as presented which was seconded by Commissioner Newman; all in favor; motion carried.

Discuss Land Use:

Two teams have been formed to combine their thoughts, efforts and research to bring clarification to the Land Use section of the Baldwin Township Comprehensive Plan. The assignment before the two teams is to actually take a look at the land use goals and update future objectives as well as to include a reference section to allow residents to review and identify the more common concerns. The clarification would consist of two parts namely 'what exists now and how to help residents work through the processes' and 'future objectives'. The goal is to come up with the best possible document that can be designed as well one that is relevant to the zoning districts of Baldwin Township.

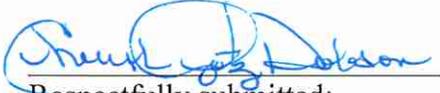
Commissioners Newman and Mattson are concentrating their efforts on rewriting, refining and/or revising the land use requests (ie IUP, CUP, Findings of Fact), blend the township and the county plans, and most frequently asked questions. They are still working on an outline and selected definitions.

Commissioners Marshall and Harris are concentrating their efforts on rewriting, refining and/or revising the land use zones and sections, and provide definitions for such. A Land Use Draft.docx was generated by Commissioner Harris and is added to these minutes as Attachment 1.

It was decided to schedule another special meeting for May 15, 2019 to continue discussing changes to the Land Use section of the Baldwin Township Comprehensive Plan.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Commissioner Mattson which was seconded by Commissioner Newman to adjourn at 8:34 p.m. with the next Planning Commission meeting to be held on April 24, 2019. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.



Respectfully submitted:
Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk


Richard Marshall, Chairman

5-22-19
Date

Attendees:

LAND USE DRAFT.docx

1. Agricultural District ? (7) ← *Check the ordinance book*
 - 1.1. Purpose: The purpose of the Agricultural District is to preserve farming for those locations that have soils which, when properly managed, are capable of high crop yields, to prevent scattered non-farm growth, and to protect from deleterious influences those farm locations that have high investments in buildings, equipment or irrigation, and to stabilize increases in public expenditures for such public services as roads and road maintenance, police and fire protection, and schools.
 - 1.2. All uses not listed as Permitted Uses, Conditional Use Permits or Interim Use Permits shall not be allowed within the Agricultural Zoning District.
2. General Rural (8)
 - 2.1. Purpose: The purpose of the General Rural District is to provide locations for agriculture, agriculturally related development, and housing on lots without public sewer or water services.
 - 2.2. All uses not listed as Permitted Uses, Conditional Use Permits or Interim Use Permits shall not be allowed within the General Rural Zoning District
3. Urban Expansion (9)
 - 3.1. Purpose: The purpose of the Urban Expansion District is to provide locations on the fringes of incorporated cities for unsewered residential, commercial or industrial development. This development is intended to be located so as to facilitate possible future service by public sewer and/or water systems while, in the meantime, allowing a semi-rural development pattern with room for safe on-site sewage systems and wells.
 - 3.2. It is the intention of Sherburne County to involve the applicable City and Township to the greatest degree possible in establishing zoning regulations and reviewing site plans and land subdivisions in this District so that orderly, compact municipal expansion is not unduly hindered. The boundaries of the Urban Expansion Districts shall be determined by joint agreement of the affected City and Townships, otherwise, the County shall set them.
 - 3.3. The County shall administer zoning regulations in the Urban Expansion District and orderly annexation areas unless the applicable City and Township agree upon a zoning map and regulations and have a joint powers agreement to handle zoning, land use decisions and building permits for the district. (Those regulations and map may replace this district and may be administered by a joint City-Township commission without involving Sherburne County. *Researching Marc Schneider } Urban, who, who, how -*)
 - 3.4. All uses not listed as Permitted Uses, Conditional Use Permits or Interim Use Permits shall not be allowed within the Urban Expansion Zoning District