



BALDWIN TOWNSHIP

30239 128th Street, Princeton MN 55371

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING

May 22, 2019

Call to Order:

On this 22th day of May, 2019 the regular monthly meeting of the Baldwin Planning Commission was called to order by Chairman Richard Marshall at 7:00 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:

Changes to the agenda:

- Add 'Discuss Meeting of June 26' to New Business

A motion was made by Commissioner Newman to approve the regular meeting agenda as amended which was seconded by Commissioner Mattson all in favor; motion carried.

Chairman Richard Marshall welcomed the guests present reminding them that the Baldwin Township Planning Commission serves at the pleasure of the Baldwin Township Town Board. The Planning Commission is an advisory board that makes recommendations to the Town Board. It was stressed that the final decisions are made by the Baldwin Township Board of Supervisors.

Reminder: All guests please sign the Sign-In Sheet.

Secretary's Report:

Planning Commission Special Meeting Minutes of April 17, 2019:

A motion was made by Commissioner Mattson to approve the Planning Commission Special Meeting minutes of April 17, 2019 which was seconded by Commissioner Newman; all in favor; motion carried.

Planning Commission Minutes of April 24, 2019:

A motion was made by Commissioner Newman to approve the Planning Commission minutes of April 24, 2019 which was seconded by Commissioner Mattson; all in favor; motion carried.

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of March 20, 2019:

The approved Planning Commission meeting minutes of March 20, 2019 were handed out and are to be filed in the commission books.

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of March 27, 2019:

The approved Planning Commission meeting minutes of March 27, 2019 were handed out and are to be filed in the commission books.

Land Use Requests:

Septic Variance / Laylak's Second Addition / Loren Coleman:

Applicant Loren Coleman is requesting a 60' variance in a setback from Sandy Lake for a septic system upgrade. The required setback from a recreational development lake is 100'. The applicant has an existing 2 bedroom house with a failing cesspool on the property. Due to lot size 2-1000 gallon holding tanks are being designed. Due to structures in the way, plastic tanks will need to be used. This is the only place on the lot where the tanks will fit. The deep well is on the opposite side of the house and 100 feet away. A visual or audible alarm will be required to alert the resident when the tank will need to be pumped. The applicant has already contracted with Mark's Sewer Service. There were no practical difficulties after reviewing the 'Findings of Fact'. *A motion was made by Commissioner Harris to recommend approval to the Baldwin Town Board to approve the applicants request for a septic variance located at Laylak's Second Addition PID No. 01-415-0170 which was seconded by Commissioner Mattson; all in favor; motion carried.*

Communications:

None.

Old Business:

Discuss / Update 'Land Uses' of Comprehensive Plan:

A motion was made by Commissioner Newman to table discussing/updating the 'Land Use' section of the Comprehensive Plan to the June 12, 2019 Special Meeting of the Planning Commission which was seconded by Commissioner Mattson; all in favor; motion carried.

New Business:

Discuss Meeting of June 26:

A motion was made by Commissioner Newman to cancel the June 26, 2019 regular meeting of the Planning Commission unless there are land use requests which was seconded by Commissioner Mattson; all in favor; motion carried.

- a. Information / Six-Month Moratorium on IUP's for Solar Farms and Solar Energy Systems / Sherburne County
- b. Information / Discussion on Moratorium on Solar Farms / Sherburne County
- c. Information / Sherburne County Resolution #032619-AD-1892 / Interim Ordinance: ORD 235 / Sherburne County
- d. Information / Interim Ordinance / Ord. No. 235 / Moratorium on IUPs for Solar Farms / Sherburne County
- e. Information / AMD Zoning Ordinance / Ord. No. 236 / Sec 15 Miss and Rum Ord Sec 5 Definition / Sherburne County
- f. Information / AMD Zoning Ordinance / Ord. No. 237 / Sec 5 and Sec 17 Rec Vehicles

Commissioner's Corner:

- Commissioners Newman and Mattson will look into Findings of Fact clarification.
- Shipwreck Boat Repair, located at 9722 – 18th Street, appears to be out of compliance with the Sherburne County Conditional Use Permit. The commissioners are requesting an update of the status.
- Commissioner Harris voiced a concern regarding canceling meetings.
- Commissioners Marshall and Newman plan to attend the regular meeting of Baldwin Township to voice their concerns on the Sherburne County Solar Moratorium.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Commissioner Harris which was seconded by Commissioner Newman to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. with a special Planning Commission meeting to be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2019. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.



Respectfully submitted:
Cheryl Goetz Dobson
Deputy Clerk



Richard Marshall, Chairman

6-12-19

Date

Attendees: Loren Coleman, Marcia Coleman