

Town of Bayfield
Regular Plan Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 14th, 2016 5:30 PM

Meeting was posted on Tuesday, November 8th, 2016 at the Bayfield Town Hall, the Town of Bayfield website, and sent to the Ashland Daily Press Meeting notices. Plan Commission members present were Chairman Jack Beagan, Robert Feyen, Fred Erickson, Robert Meierotto, Karen Boutin, Nancy Bussey as well as Clerk Kelly Faye. Demaris Brinton was absent. Two members of the public were present. Robert Meierotto called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Welcome of new Plan Commission member Robert Feyen: Chairman Beagan welcomed Robert Feyen to the Plan Commission. Feyen, who resides on County Highway J, introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his background as a contractor.

Reading and approval of minutes of Regular Plan Commission Meeting of September 12th, 2016 (October Meeting was cancelled due to no quorum): A motion was made by Boutin, seconded by Erickson, to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Discussion and identification of items for future agendas: None.

Communications and Correspondence: None.

Public Comment: Chairman Beagan noted that the General Election and the process of voting in the Town of Bayfield went well and thanked all those involved. He also noted that his former residence Springhill recently sold to a couple from the Twin Cities. They plan to move to the home and use it as a year-round residence after their renovations. C&S Design and Engineering has been hired for the project.

Old Business.

- a. **Update on progress in development of poster-style version of Comprehensive Plan:** Chairman Beagan reported that there have been delays to this process due to recent issues requiring his time. He apologized for the delay but stated he intends to restart work on the project and have the draft complete by November 30th. The public hearing will be scheduled for January or February.

New Business.

- a. **Discussion and recommendation to Bayfield Town Board regarding Class A Special Use Request from Rick and Janet Dale, 87080 Valley Road, to convert a former agricultural shop building which is now a home back to residence. Landowner believed this had occurred in 1977:** Rick Dale was present to discuss his application. He explained that he would like to put a 10'x16' open porch along the edge of his home and was recently informed by the Bayfield County Zoning office that his home is not properly zoned to allow this. He purchased his land in 1974 with the intention of having a 16'x24' woodshop/storage/honey processing building and a main residence. Due to unplanned circumstances his mother moved into the residence and Rick and Janet moved into the woodshop building which ended

up being converted to their permanent home. Originally the main residence was zoned residential and the woodshop was zoned Ag-1. Despite the fact that Dale has applied and been approved for several zoning applications for various projects, it was only recently discovered that the Ag-1 designation is still in place. To avoid the need for a survey to be carried out he requests that the building be changed from Ag-1 to Residential. Dale explained that he asked the Zoning Department if the change would conflict with his farmland preservation status and was assured it would not. He will be paying \$135 in fees for the change. Based on the fact that the Zoning office failed to inform him of this issue for so many years, he feels that the fee should be waived in this case. A motion was made by Boutin, seconded by Erickson, to recommend that that Town Board approve the Class A Special Use Request changing the Dale residence from Ag-1 to Residential. Motion carried.

Set date and time for next Plan Commission Meeting; Monday, December 12th, 2016. 5:30 PM.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Boutin, seconded by Meierotto, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by: Kelly N. Faye, Clerk