

Minutes of the February 5, 2019 Meeting of the Manitowish Waters Planning Commission

Meeting called to order at 6:01 P.M. by Chair Dan Sleight.

Commissioners Present: Dan Sleight, Robert Becker, John Hanson, Vince Hoehn, Dan Johns Jr

Absent: Frances Whitfield, Mike Kramer, Zoning Administrator Tom Thiessen

Public Visitors: Greg Holt

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hanson, second by Becker, to approve the agenda as posted and waive the reading. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Correspondence

None

Reports and/or Recommendations from Town Committees

None

Governmental Correspondence

None

Reading and Approval of Minutes

Motion by Becker, second by Sleight, to approve the January 8, 2019 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Zoning Administrator's Report

Hoehn reported that ZA Thiessen had mailed a letter dated January 18, 2019 to Randy Nilsson regarding his business sign. The letter required removal of the sign within 60 days, or on or before March 22, 2019.

Secretary's Report

Hoehn reported that Dan Sleight's term is up in April, 2019.

Hoehn presented his January hours for approval. Motion by Johns, second by Becker, for approval. Motion carried, with Hoehn abstaining.

Unfinished Business

Article IV Signs: Background information from the International Sign Association website on electronic message signs was distributed to the members. Following discussion, the members' consensus was to not further explore at this time the issue of allowing for and regulating electronic message signs.

Article X.V (Rules and Procedures for Issuance of Conditional Use Permits) and compliance with WI Act 67: Discussion on adding language to Article 10.5 Subsection D Standards regarding the "substantial evidence" and "reasonable, and to the extent practicable, measurable" requirements. Draft language to reviewed by an attorney for comments on the language and/or if it is even necessary to add any language at all.

New Business

Discussion on possible need to allow for "Use" variances in Article XI. Greg Holt reported that the topic has come up within the Board of Appeals. No further discussion or action anticipated at this time.

Next scheduled meeting March 5, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Meeting declared adjourned by Chair Sleight. Time was 6:36 P.M.