

Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

City of Medicine Lake Meeting held virtual via Zoom March 18th, 2021 6:00 pm

This meeting will be held via zoom.

1. Call to order and roll call
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.
 - Members present include – Jesse Swanson, Brad Beisel, Laura Ferenci, Glen Skajewski, Debbi Stafne
 - Members absent include Bill Enright
2. Approval of Minutes from January 21st, 2021
 - Glen Skajewski Moved approval of the minute
 - Brad Beisel Second and all voted in favor
3. Public Hearings: None Scheduled
4. New Business:
 - Election of officers
 - Chair
 - Beisel Nominated Swanson as Chair
 - Beisel moved to close nomination – Skajewski second the motion. All voted in favor.
 - Beisel moved to appoint Swanson as chair, Skajewski second. All voted in favor.
 - Vice Chair
 - Beisel nominated himself to be vice chair and Skajewski Second the motion.
 - Skajewski move to close nominations – Swanson second the motion.
 - Skajewski moved to appoint Beisel as vice chair, Swanson second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Secretary

- Brad Scheib will take minutes and PC members will assist as needed.
- Discuss PC Bylaws and Recommendations
 - Change time to 6:00 pm from 7:00 pm
 - Primary means of meeting in person. Virtual as an option when no official action is needed.
- Discuss Floodplain/Shoreland Training sessions as applicable
- Discuss 2021 zoning and related matters/issues
 - Scheib briefly discussed updates to shoreland ordinance
 - Scheib briefly discussed the trends and issues around short term or vacation rental housing and the need to be proactive in addressing them in the zoning code or rental housing agreement.
 - Scheib briefly discussed the idea of requiring an As Built Survey when construction projects are completed to be able to have a record of where improvements are relative to public rights of way and property lines.
 - Scheib briefly noted the concerns about property owners planting in easements and ROWs. This is addressed in existing ordinances.
 - Scheib noted that urban chickens are currently not specifically addressed within the zoning code but other city ordinances may prohibit them. Section 2300 of the zoning code addresses animals. Plymouth just passed an ordinance creating a permit process for having backyard chickens.

5. Adjournment

- Glen Skajewski moved to adjourn at 7:10. Brad Beisel second and all approved.

Respectively submitted
 Brad Scheib
 Zoning Administrator/Planning Consultant

Approved June 17, 2021