

Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

City of Medicine Lake Meeting held virtual via Zoom February 17, 2022 6:00 pm

1. Call to order and roll call
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm.
 - Members present include – Brad Beisel, Shaun Kennedy, Debbi Stafne, and Laura Ferenci (via zoom). Bill Enright, Jesse Swanson, and Glen Skajewski were not present.
2. Approval of Agenda
 - Shaun Kennedy moved approval of the agenda and Laura Ferenci second with all present voting in favor. Motion to approve passed.
3. Approval of Minutes from January 20th, 2022.
 - Shaun moved to approve the January 20th 2022 meeting minutes and Brad Beisel second the motion. Clarification discussion and correction of a typo was noted on page 4. All members presented voted in favor of the motion. Motion to approve passed.
4. Public Hearings: no new public hearings were held.
5. New Business: New businesses was skipped to allow for Commissioner Kennedy to participate in the short term rental discussion.
6. Old Business:

Short Term Rental

- Commissioners Beisel and Kennedy discussed the survey for Short Term Rentals. It was noted the purpose for the survey is to gather input and not to vote or agree on any particular standard or rule. As such using IPS addresses as a control is sufficient for this purpose.
- Commissioners discussed distribution of the survey via email, the laker and the web site.
- Scheib indicated that results will be collected and summarized prior to the March PC meeting.
- At the March PC meeting commissioners can discuss the survey findings and direct staff on the next steps. Staff will prepare ordinance or ordinance amendments or other policy as needed and discuss at April PC

meeting. If an ordinance amendment is necessary, a public hearing will be set for the May PC meeting to consider action.

Commissioner Kennedy left the meeting at 6:30. Given a quorum no longer is present the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Brad Scheib
Planning Consultant/Zoning Administrator

PC continued in a workshop. Discussion at the workshop included the following:

- Commissioners discussed the meeting protocol given that COVID is still a concern. It was agreed that meetings will be virtual to the extent possible and legal. It was noted that the City is working on the technology to improve virtual communication that will better enable remote participation.
- Scheib reviewed the shoreland model ordinance and the key issue with the current draft in that it omits the provision within the current city code that prohibits grading within 20 feet of the OHW and that this provision is more restrictive than state rules and most other community shoreland rules. Scheib indicated that given how it is worded it appears it was intentional when Med Lake established the ordinance. Beisel suggested providing clarity and a staff recommendation on that issue and making sure we focus on that for the next meeting. It would also be good to have DNR conditional approval renewed prior to consideration. Scheib indicated that he will prepare a summary of the issue noted above for the next PC meeting. A public hearing will likely be scheduled then for the April PC meeting.

The workshop ended at 6:50 pm.

Approved May 19, 2022
Respectfully Submitted
Brad Scheib, Zoning Administrator