

CALUMET COUNTY
PLANNING, ZONING & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
AUGUST 13, 2020
THESE MINUTES ARE APPROVED

1. Meeting Announcement and Posting

The meeting was properly announced and posted. Chair Hofberger called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Committee Members present: Hofberger, Budde (remote), Deiter, Kleckner, Ott, Kesler, Geiser

Staff Members present for all or part of the meeting: Payette, Faust, Meuer, Mooney

Others Present: Noah Mirsberger, Robert & Lori Gosz, Fred Popp

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Deiter and second by Kleckner to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes from July 9, 2020 Committee Meeting

Motion by Deiter and second by Kleckner to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2020 Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Public Participation

None.

7. Convene Meeting and Enter Public Hearing

Motion by Deiter and second by Kleckner to convene meeting and enter public hearing at 8:33 a.m.

- a. Petition 1: Chris Hausfeld, agent for Rita Mirsberger; Variance; Section 62-46(b)(4)(A) of the Calumet County Land Division Ordinance; SE1/4, NE1/4, Section 34, T20N-R19E, Town of Woodville. Create a lot approximately 20 acres in area with less than 600 feet of lot width.**

Noah Mirsberger, the son of Rita Mirsberger, was present to speak on the variance request. Mooney read the hearing notice, staff findings and criteria approval into the record. Mooney reported that the Town of Woodville has no issue with this request. Discussion followed. Motion by Deiter and second by Geiser to approve the variance as requested. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Petition 2: Lori and Robert Gosz Jr.; Conditional Use; Section 82-57(d) of the Calumet County Zoning Ordinance; SW1/4, NW1/4, Section 17, T20N-R20E, Town of Brillion. Construction of a Commercial Storage Facility.**

The Gosz's are seeking a conditional use permit for the construction of a commercial storage facility in Forest Junction. Meuer read the hearing memo and conditional use criteria into the record. The Town of Brillion supports this request along with one of the neighbors. Discussion followed. Motion by Deiter and second by Kesler to approve the Conditional Use Permit. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Close Public Hearing and Reconvene Meeting

Hofberger closed the public hearing at 8:47 a.m.

9. Report of Committee Members

a. Reports of Official Meetings Held Since Last Committee Meeting

None.

b. Upcoming Events Reported by Committee Members

None.

10. Communications

None.

11. Items for Action or Discussion

a. Review 2021 Requested Budget

Payette reviewed the 2021 Budget with committee members. Items included in the 2021 Budget include an Ortho Flight and a GIS Specialist position. Discussion followed. The GIS Specialist position will be placed on the September agenda.

b. Discuss Potential Solar Project Near Forest Junction

Planning and zoning staff met with a company called Nextera Energy who is looking to construct a solar project near Forest Junction. This project will utilize about 750 acres of land. They have started contacting some local property owners in the area. Payette has been in contact with other counties who have been contacted, and if the panels are over 100 megawatts, the decision making authority for the project is vested with the Public Service Commission and not the County. Discussion followed.

12. Report of Department

a. Update Since Last Committee Meeting

Payette reviewed report with committee members.

b. Staff Updates

Meuer and Mooney reported on the projects they have been working on. Payette reported on Hess, Giebel and Reichert projects.

13. Upcoming Events/Past Events

None.

14. Consider Specific Items for Next Meeting Agenda

None.

15. Discuss Next Meeting – Thursday, September 10, 2020 8:30 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.

16. Adjournment

Chair Hofberger adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rose Faust
Recording Secretary