

ROUND LAKE PLAN COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

1. Call to order

The regular meeting of the Town of Round Lake Plan Commission was held at the Town Hall and virtually on 7/9/24.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Ginny Chabek

The pledge of allegiance.

Don Stover as Secretary.

2. Certification of meeting posting – Posted on the website and Posting Box.

Attendees - Ginny Chabek, Don Stover, Kimberly Kayler, Martin Hanson

Audience – Jennifer Weltzin, Scott Verbeck, Dennis Toll, Teresa and Jim Johnston, Linda and Paul Regow

3. Approval of agenda - Motion to approve agenda: Kayler / Hanson with addition of an item to talk about funding for the Recreation Plan.

4. Approval of minutes for June 12 Regular meeting - Motion: Hanson / Kayler

5. Audience recognition – Comments Only

None.

6. CUP 24- 012 Joseph Johnston – CUP request for Island Development

Teresa and Jim Johnston were present to speak to the request. Plan is to build a camp that will host 50 kids per week for 10 weeks out of the summer. Concerns raised by Dennis Toll, Callahan / Mud Lake Association President regarding Eagle nest in area of proposed building construction. Neighbors reported Owls, Otters and other wildlife living on the island. The camp would support approximately 50 kids and 45 staff. Some of the staff would be day use only. Mainland parking issues. The mainland area only allows for 2 dwellings per Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance. Multiple dwellings are not allowed in Shoreland Zoning per Sawyer County Zoning Ordinance. Discussion on septic requirements. No DNR report provided. The details are not available in the CUP document for the PC to properly address the request.

Variance should be addressed first.

Motion to deny – Hanson / Kayler Need more information.

7. Discussion / Possible Action: Town Board has asked to amend Ordinance 9 removing 6 buoys and leaving only 2.

Letter read from Tiger Cat Flowage Lake Association to be given to Town Board recommending the town engage appropriate authorities and subject matter experts to properly assess Placid Lake. Plan Commission recommends that the Board requires additional research to be conducted based on the DNR document - A Guideline for Creating Local Boating Ordinances and Placing Waterway Markers in Wisconsin Waters – page 5.

No action

8. Discussion / Possible Action: Town Board has asked to review the Town Room Tax Ordinance and Agreement.

Question raised – is agreement still in effect per addendum section 3?

Further direction and information needed.

9. Discussion/ clarification related to Town of Round Lake Non-Metallic Mining Ordinance 2022-04 the minimum setback of 3000 feet from the property boundary to the nearest residence.

Letter from Legal Counsel, Rob Lee – setback does not need to be changed. No amendment needed.

No action taken

10. Discussion/Action: Proposed Amendment to Ordinance 2023-01 – All Terrain Vehicle and Utility Terrain Vehicle Routes. Reference to Town of Round Lake Resolution 02- 2020.

Draft Amendment to Ordinance 2023-01 proposed by Town Board. Sent to Plan Commission for review / recommendations.

Conflicts exist in the proposed amendment that would result in confusion. Lack of clarity regarding; signage, license requirements, does not address quiet zones, verbiage conflicts, authority-town vs. county/state, costs for signs, placement of signs, road maintenance costs, speed limits for ATV/UTVs.

Resolution 02-2020 should remain in place as it defines the process for opening routes that includes feedback from residents, a review process, and protects the Town from additional costs related to opening all the roads without further consideration.

Plan moving forward should be fair and unbiased, possibly utilize additional expertise to ensure decisions are based on facts.

Citizen letter - Including possible Moratorium on ATV/UTV Ordinance & Resolution: to allow for due diligence to be performed by the Plan Commission as needed to ensure congruence with the Town of Round Lake Comprehensive Plan. And conducting of Survey town residents and property owners regarding ATV/UTV use on all town roads, ensuring alignment of policy decisions with the expressed interests of Town of Round Lake Citizens.

Motion – Stover / Hanson Motion to recommend that the Town Board deny implementing the proposed amendment to Town of Round Lake Ordinance 2023-01; The Board Resolution 02-2020 is in place to provide the process and therefore makes the amendment moot. Motion carried with Kayler abstaining

11. Board Report: 8 topics were presented on agenda. Ginny asked for opinions/questions regarding topics.

Brief discussion on Good Neighbor Handbook.

12. Discussion / Action: Subdivision Ordinance:

Legal Counsel has reviewed DRAFT ordinance and made recommendation to remove some Definitions. Ginny will review the document and update.

Moved to next month's meeting

13. Discussion / Possible Action: Environmental Impact Analysis Criteria:

Report needs to be flexible depending on density and size of subdivision.

No further action taken. Research to continue.

Moved to next month

14. Status / Update: Multi-Dwelling Development Zoning Ordinance update:

Don Stover reported that the questionnaire to be sent to the Town's in July has been postponed to October / November.

15. Status: TORL Water Testing Program 2024 update:

Don reported that 50 residents have signed up to date. The county is coordinating with the Stevens Point Lab to acquire test kits. A letter will be sent to participants informing them when they can pick up their test kits.

16. Status / Update: on TAP Grant

Ginny reported that the town did not receive the TAP grant funding. A letter from Randel Kirk indicated FHWA funding was possible, but training would be a requirement.

The TAP grant could be reapplied for.

17. Status / Update: Town Good Neighbor Handbook:

No new update

No action

18. Status: Discussion on Bicycle Road Safety:

Ginny met with the Sherriff and no plan of action was concluded.

A possible bicycle safety class was discussed.

Discussion on Outdoor Recreation Plan regarding funding.

No action

19. Schedule Next Meeting: August 6th at 6:30pm

20. Adjourn: 8:32pm

