

ONOTA TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
JULY, 9, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Planning Commission was called to order at 7 pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Present: Brian Mahoney, Fred Ivers, Vicki Ray, Brian Bresette, Mark Fisher, Michael Tarr, Erin Putvin

IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A motion was made to adopt the agenda as presented.

Motion: Brian Bresette

Support: Michael Tarr

Motion carried: 7-0

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the 6-11-24 meeting as presented.

Motion: Brian Bresette

Support: Vicki Ray

Motion carried: 7-0

VI. REPORTS

A. Zoning Administrator: Jason McCarthy, absent

Reports attached

B. Township Board Representative: Brian Bresette

1. Elections will take place. Munising Township will be assisting.

2. Did not accept the Clerk's resignation so that the Deputy Clerk can stay on to sign checks and pay bills

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Planning Commission members are continuing to individually review the ordinances. The Planning Commission will review as a group after the Master Plan Public Hearing on 8-13-24

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Comment was received from: Char MacDonald asked questions concerning the Onota Township website. She noticed it's not up and running and is curious about what is happening. The Township Supervisor is reportedly working on

getting it live. It was agreed all around that it would be ideal to have the Master Plan available online for residents to easily view.

- B. Further complaints on the Section Five campground. It is reported that Ross Woller is submitting a Conditional Use Permit. At the time of the meeting, no CUP was submitted. Several concerns were aired. Commissioners are concerned about the continued illegal operation of Ross Woller's campground

IX. COMMISSION CONCERNS

- A. Commissioners have concerns about the Zoning Administrator's continual absences. Commissioners are requesting the Zoning Administrator attend the Planning Commission meetings, as per requested upon his original hire.
- B. Brian Bresette made a motion that the Planning Commission Secretary write the Zoning Administrator, Jason McCarthy a letter on the behalf of the Planning Commission, inquiring as to why Ross Woller is still operating despite the prior Cease and Desist and without a submission of a conditional use permit. Michael Tarr supported the motion. Motion carries, 7-0.
- C. Michael Tarr moved that the administrative duties of the Planning Commission be returned to the Planning Commission Chair from the Zoning Administrator. Furthermore, the intention of this motion is to request that the Onota Township Board rescind the prior resolution and return the administrative duties of the Planning Commission as outlined in Section 9.01 to the Planning Commission Chair, Brian Mahoney. Brian Bresette supported the motion. Motion carries 7-0

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm

Motion: Erin Putvin

Support: Vicki Ray

Motion carried: 7-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Putvin

Planning Commission Secretary